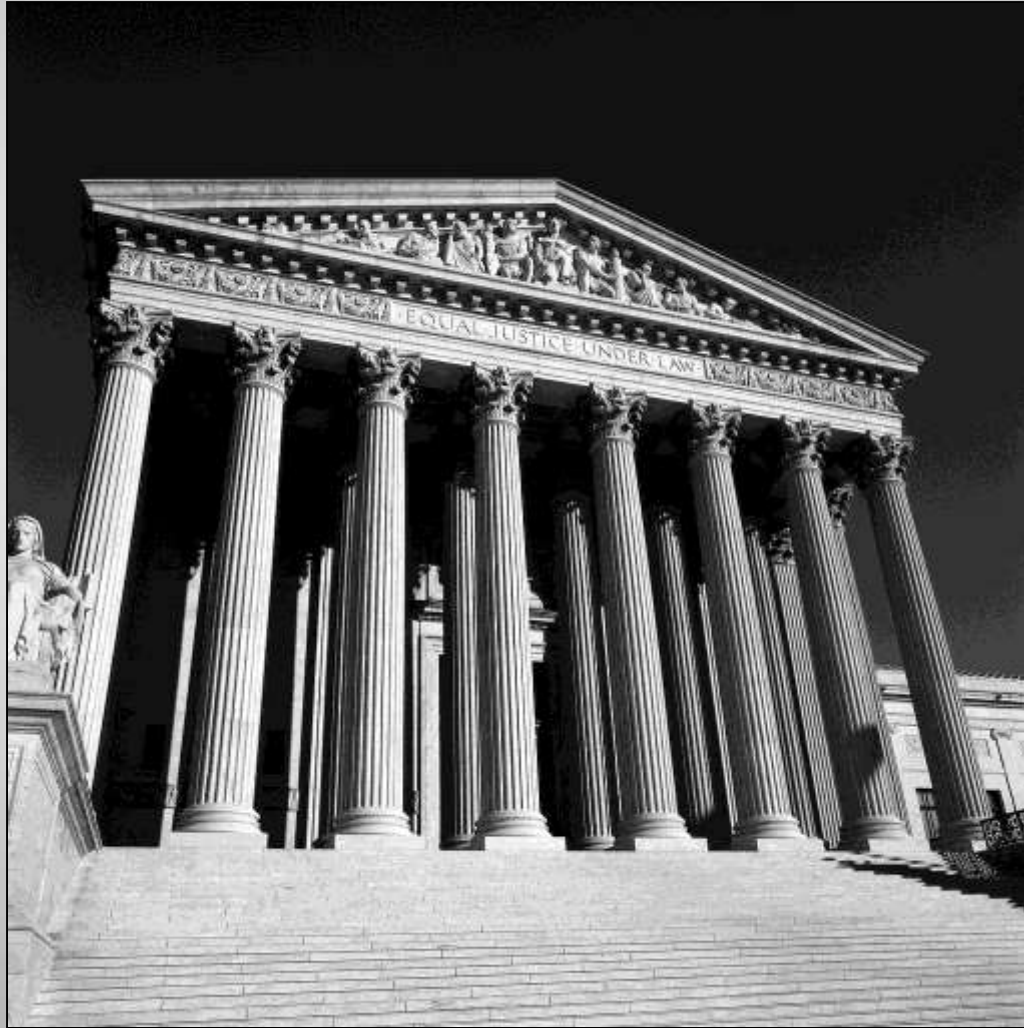


Government/Civics Domain





How do citizens participate in different forms of government?

**SS6CG1- Compare and Contrast various
forms of government**

**a. Explain citizen participation in
autocratic and democratic governments**

Fill in your Graphic Organizer throughout the lesson

How do citizens participate in the government?		
<i>Autocratic/Autocracy</i>	<i>Oligarchic/Oligarchy</i>	<i>Democratic/Democracy</i>
Rule of ONE	Rule of a FEW	Rule of ALL
Picture	Picture	Picture
Explanation:	Explanation:	Explanation:
Long definition:	Long definition:	Long definition:
Examples of autocratic governments	Examples of oligarchic governments	Examples of democratic governments

How Governments Determine Citizen Participation:

Autocratic



One person possesses unlimited power. The citizen has limited, if any, role in government.

Rule of ONE

How Governments Determine Citizen Participation:

Autocratic

- **The oldest form of government.**
- **One of the most common forms of government.**
- **Dictator maintains power through inheritance or ruthless use of military and police power.**
- **Examples: Adolf Hitler, Benito Mussolini, Joseph Stalin, Fidel Castro**

How Governments Determine Citizen Participation:

Oligarchy



Rule of a few. Sometimes a small group exercises control, especially for corrupt and selfish purposes. The citizen has a very limited role.

How Governments Determine Citizen Participation

Oligarchy

- The group gets its power from military power, social power, wealth, religion or a combination.
- Political opposition is usually suppressed-sometimes violently.
 - **Examples-** Communist countries such as China.
South Africa during Apartheid
 - Leaders in the party and armed forces control government.

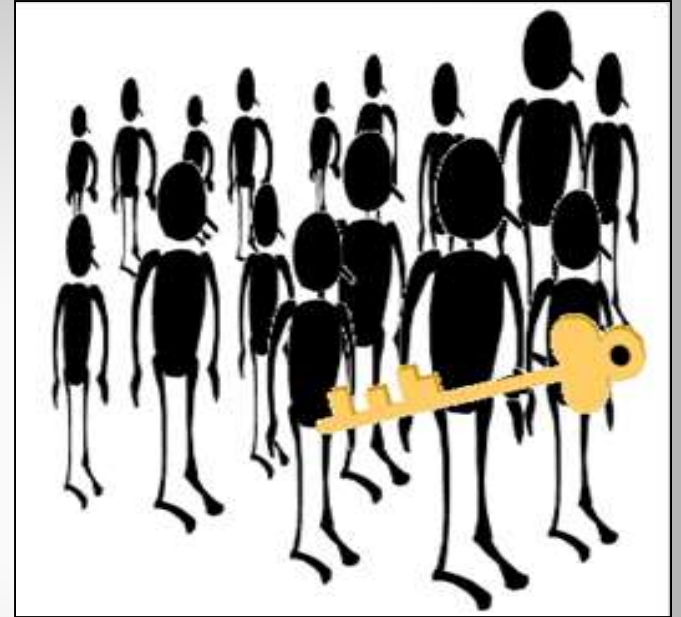
How Governments Determine Citizen Participation

Autocracy & Oligarchy

- Sometimes claim they rule for the people.
- In reality, the people have very little say in both types of government.
 - **Examples-** May hold elections with only one candidate or control the results in various ways.
 - **Examples-** Even when these governments have a legislature or national assembly, they often only approve decisions made by the leaders.

How Governments Determine Citizen Participation:

Democracy



Rule of ALL. A country or nation where the people hold supreme power. Usually, they exercise their power by electing officials to represent them.

Democratic Governments

- Democratic governments usually have three branches of government often called the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial.
- Executive branch carries out and enforces laws
- Legislative branch makes laws
- Judicial branch interprets laws
- The main difference between the two types of democracies is the relationship between the legislative and executive branches of government