

# Unit 1

Government Structures

# Why do we have Governments?

- **Social Contract: people agree to cooperate with the rules of government in exchange for protection and structure.**
  - **John Locke– government is there to protect people’s NATURAL RIGHTS- life, liberty, and property.**

# Types of Government

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Anarchy	No government or system of rules.	No One. Every person is left to fight for themselves	You live on your own	The Purge

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Authoritarian	<b>When a country is ruled by one person or a small group indefinitely.</b>	<b>One person or a small group of people</b>	-You obey the rules of the person or group that is in charge	-North Korea

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Autocracy	<b>Government in which all political power is held by one person.</b>	<b>-One Person has unlimited power</b>	<b>-They can not vote -No voice in government</b>	<b>-N. Korea</b>

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Theocracy	Government in which religious authorities rule.	-Pope or Religious Leader	-Practice the religion of that country	-Vatican City -Iran

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Oligarchy	Government in which the power to rule is held by a few powerful individuals or groups.	The group holds the power  -no one outside the ruling group can be elected	-Citizens have no say in the government  -Only the group can vote- no outside citizen participation	-Modern Day Russia

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Monarchy	Government led by one person who inherits the rule. Leadership is passed on to children or the heirs of the ruler.	-King or Queen -Usually get power through their bloodline	- Citizens can elect members of parliament	<u>Constitutional</u> -Great Britain -Norway  <u>Absolute</u> -Swaziland



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Dictatorship	One person rules -Usually takes over in a military Coup D'Etat -Can become totalitarian	-One Person	-They obey the party of the dictator	-North Korea -Cuba

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Aristocracy	Government led by the wealthy.	The wealthy	-people do not have a say on who sits in the government	England- The House of the Lords

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<b>Totalitarian</b>	A system in which the government tries to control nearly every aspect of citizen's lives.	-One person or a small group of people	-They obey the rules and laws set forth by the government	-Nazi Germany (Facist) -Stalin in the Soviet Union -N. Korea

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Direct Democracy	the people vote on issues DIRECTLY.	-People	-Voting directly on initiatives	-Switzerland

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Representative Democracy	the people vote for (elect) officials to make policy for the best society.	-People	-Voting	USA

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Republic	<b>A group picks a representative on behalf of the larger population</b>	-Group	-Voting	-USA in presidential elections -Ancient Rome

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Confederation	sovereign (make their own rules) states that join with each other for a common purpose. <b>A league of friendship</b>	-The leader of each state	-people elect members to represent them	Confederate states of America  -The EU