



World Studies: Countries, Cultures, and Connections 6

Chapter 2: Government and Civics

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Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. Another way to look at the structure of a government is to look at _____ participation. In other words, how much _____ do the citizens in a country have in terms of rights and selecting their leaders?
2. There are three types of citizen participation: _____, oligarchy, and _____.
3. In an _____, the ruler has absolute, or total, power to do whatever the ruler wishes.
4. Citizens who live in an autocracy have very few _____. They do not get to choose their _____.
5. There are two main types of autocracy in the world today: _____ and absolute _____.
6. In a _____, one person controls the entire country. The dictator is usually supported by the _____.
7. In an _____, the sovereign, such as a king or queen, has all the power.
8. The dictator or sovereign serves as _____ of government, that is, the person in charge of the day-to-day business of running the country.

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9. In an _____, a political party or other small group makes all the major decisions. The name _____ means “rule by a few.”
10. In a _____, citizens have the power in choosing their leaders. The word *democracy* comes from the Greek words *demos*, which means _____, and *kratia*, which means _____.
11. In this type of government, the citizens have most of the _____ because they have the ability to _____ for the leaders who will make laws.