

# EARLY FORMS OF GREEK GOVERNMENT

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# MONARCHY

A form of government where one person has power .

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- King controls people with soldiers

Power is inherited

- Citizens pay taxes, obey laws, get protection

but get no say in government

# OLIGARCHY

A form of government where power is shared by a few

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- Power held by aristocrats (wealthy and sophisticated citizens ) and controlled with soldiers

Aristocracy: groups of aristocrats

- power / wealth inherited
- Citizens had little say but protected

# TYRANNY

A form of government where one person (tyrant) takes power illegally.

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- Person takes control
  - supported by middle class
  - Reforms laws
  - Aids the poor
  - Give more say to citizens
- Leader becomes greedy/ rules harshly

# DEMOCRACY

A form of government where citizens share the power

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- Citizens gain more protections
  - wrongly accused got help
  - judgments can be appealed
  - debt protection
- Government offices open to upper three classes
  - Assembly: group of citizens that made laws and decisions
  - Majority Rule: the process of most votes wins

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