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1 | Nation-States

Idea of a “nation” is actually a new thing => “group of people with a common culture, sense of identity, and political aspirations” (no longer monarch-soverignty based).

- 1) Strong monarchs began creating stronger national states w/ breaking local lord power + consolidating governmental power
- 2) National identity fostered by the culture (artists, writers, linguists)
 - Lit works helped defined national groups + foster sense of identity
 - Musicians also contributed by adding elements local music into their composition
 - Dictionaries were compiled to the understanding of the local culture
- 3) Ethnic groups began acquiring a *common heritage* => shapes identity => strengthens the heritage
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And boom! Nation-states. [KBhHIST201Nationalism](#)-engendered cultural states.