**FORMS OF GOVERNMENT**

**Part A. Vocabulary.** Review our lessons from the previous two classes (you can see this in the PDF of “Who Rules?” and the PowerPoint from last class). Match the key term to its definition below. You will use each vocabulary word once.

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| Autocracy | Democracy | Dictatorship | Direct Democracy | Theocracy |
| Monarchy | Confederal | Junta | Republic | Unitary |
| Communism | Anarchy | Federal | Oligarchy | Socialism |

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| **DEFINITION** | **KEY TERM** |
| 1) Type of democracy where citizens elect leaders to represent them in government |  |
| 2) A small group that rules a country after taking it over by force |  |
| 3) One person has all the power |  |
| 4) Type of democracy where citizens are involved in day-to-day government |  |
| 5) A system of government where power is centralized in the capital, and regions/states have very little control. |  |
| 6) Recognizes God as the ultimate authority in government and law |  |
| 7) One leader has absolute control over citizens’ lives |  |
| 8) A system of government where power is shared between the central government and states or regions. |  |
| 9) Citizens hold the political power |  |
| 10) A small group of people has all the power |  |
| 11) People are not subject to any nation or government |  |
| 12) A king or queen rules the country |  |
| 13) A decentralized or weak system of government where states or regions control most power, and the central government is very small. |  |
| 14) An economic system where resources are shared amongst the people, but private property is still allowed. |  |
| 15) An economic system where resources in society are all owned by the government, which distributes them “equally” among the people (in reality, this system uses force to control the people). |  |

**Part B. True or False?** Use what you learned in the reading and in Part B to fill in the chart below. State whether the sentence is true or false. Then give an example from the reading to support your answer. There are 6 true and 2 false statements.

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| STATEMENT | TRUE OR FALSE? | EXAMPLE OR REASON |
| 1) A monarchy can be like a dictatorship or it can be part of a democracy. | True | Saudi Arabia / Denmark |
| 2) A dictatorship can also be a democracy. |  |  |
| 3) A democracy can have both representative and direct characteristics at the same time. |  |  |
| 4) An oligarchy can include representative democracy. |  |  |
| 5) A government can be both a monarchy and an anarchy at the same time. |  |  |
| 6) Theocracy can co-exist with monarchy. |  |  |
| 7) Theocracy can co-exist with democracy. |  |  |
| 8) An oligarchy can be like a dictatorship. |  |  |

**Part C. Scenarios.** Read through the following scenarios to determine what form of government best applies. Use the key terms in Part A to help you.

1) Students at Whoville Elementary all vote on what classes the school offers every year, as well as what to have for lunch.

2) Mrs. Mills’ homeroom at Blue Jay Middle School needed to elect a homeroom leader to be on Student Council to help the 7th grade class president make decisions for the 7th grade. All of the students in her homeroom voted for and elected Andrew as their leader.

3) Ms. Webber asks students to bring in candy for the school’s “Movie Night.” Only 5 out of the 20 students bring any candy. The students put all the candy into one pile and distribute it evenly so that all students have the same amount.

4) Mr. Julian takes the supplies from all of his 7th grade students at the beginning of the year, including book bags and cellphones, and then distributes the supplies evenly to all students.

5) A mom from the PTA (Parent Teacher Association) decided to take over the school and make all of the decisions. People were upset but she had all the power at this point.

6) The West Valley football team has a new coach who is inexperienced because he has not been coaching for a very long time. He makes weak decisions and has caused the team to lose games. A small group of seasoned players who have played the game since they were in elementary school have decided to begin making the calls on the field during the games instead of listening to their inexperienced coach.

7) Chief Pawpunch’s ancestors ruled the kingdom for hundreds of years until he sent his country into the 4 year Balloon Battle. While at war, many of his citizens grew angry and wanted more freedoms. So a leader of the military, Wolfpack, led a revolution. The new leader, Wolfpack, made all the decisions and used the military to keep the control of the government after he got rid of Chief Pawpunch.

8) The Queen recently informed her citizens that parliament has decided that recent tariffs placed on their fish exports are outrageous and that they will be placing quotas on the number of fish exports monthly.