

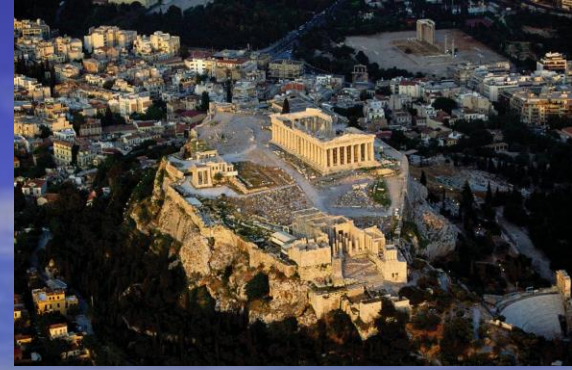
Ancient Greece



The Rise of Democracy



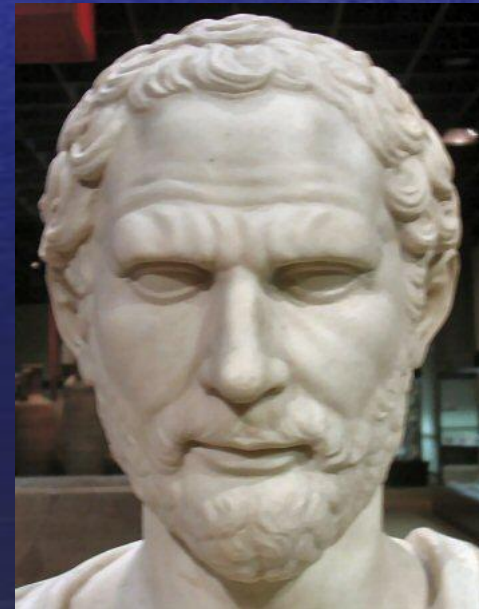
City-States



- Because Greece is so mountainous, many settlements were separated from one another.
- Over time these settlements became known as cities to the people who lived in them.
- Each city had its own army, and its own money. They each even had their own government.
- For these reasons these ancient Greek cities became known as city-states.

Forms of Government

- Within the city-states that were throughout the country, four forms of government developed.
- Monarchy
- Oligarchy
- Tyranny
- Democracy



Monarchy



- What is a Monarchy?
 - When the ruling power is in the hands of one person, usually a king.
- At first, Kings were chosen by the people
 - Kings had many powers
- They made laws and acted as judges
 - They conducted religious ceremonies
 - They led the army in wars

Monarchy

- Kings had councils of **aristocrats** to advise them.
 - At first had no real power
 - King depended on them to help in time of war
 - Over time realized that as a group, they had more power than the king.
 - By 800 B.C.E. there were no more kings. The aristocrats ruled the city-states.

Oligarchy



- What is a Oligarchy?
 - When a few people share power.
- The few aristocrats who shared the power became known as oligarchs.

Life under Oligarchy

- Rich lived well.
- Poor lived poorly.
- Oligarchs did not care about the poor
 - Forced the poor to listen by using force
 - Passed laws to protect their wealth
 - Poor had to sell themselves into slavery to pay debts
- Backed by some leaders from the army, during the 600s B.C.E these men overthrew the oligarch.

Tyranny



- What is Tyranny?
 - A person who seizes power illegally
- How is a Tyranny different from a Monarchy?
 - A tyrant cannot claim that he has a legal right to rule
 - A tyrants son does not usually inherit his father's power



Democracy

- What is a Democracy?
 - All citizens share in the ruling power.
- Ancient Greek Democracy was different than the Democracy we have in the US today.
 - Direct Democracy
 - Representative Democracy

Assignment 1

- Think about the four forms of government in Ancient Greece
 - List at least two advantages and disadvantages for each form.

Assignment 2

- Think about Direct Democracy and Representative Democracy.
 - List at least three advantages and disadvantages for both

Coming Next Class

- Life in Two City-States

Athens and Sparta