

GI- Governments

Anarchy

- no gov't, laws or order (chaos)

Absolute monarchy

- king or queen rules with absolute power
- Ex: France: Louis XIV, Louis XVI
- England: Elizabeth I, James I, Charles I
- Russia: Peter and Catherine the Great

Limited Monarchy

- the king or queen has their power limited by laws or a constitution
- ex: King John I in England signed the Magna Carta
- William and Mary in 1688 after the Glorious Revolution

Democracy and Republic

- Democracy: gov't run by the people
- Republic: gov't where the people elect their officials
- Ex: twentieth Century U.S, France, Britain and many countries around the world

Oligarchy

- gov't run by a few elite
- example: Sparta in Ancient Greece

Theocracy

- gov't run by religious leaders
- Ex: Iran from 1979 to Present

Dictatorship

- the power is the hands of one man with absolute power
- ex: Fidel Castro in Cuba (1959)
- Francisco Franco in Spain (1936)

Totalitarian

- gov't controls every aspect of a person's life
- usually one party system where the gov't uses secret police, propaganda, censorship and terror tactics to control the people
- Ex: Hitler in Nazi Germany (1933-1945)
- Mussolini in Fascist Italy (1922-1943)
- Lenin in Communist Russia (1917-1924)
- Stalin in Communist in Russia (1928-1953)