

## Government in Athens

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### Part 1

**Directions:** Complete the following questions before moving on to Part 2. List 3 benefits and 3 drawbacks of each form of government.

#### Governments in Athens

	Oligarchy	Tyranny	Democracy
3 Benefits			
3 Drawbacks			

1. What do you believe is the best form of government? Why?

**Part 2**

**Directions:** Discuss with a partner what you answered in the question above. Record the answer of your partner and his or her reasoning.

1. What form of government does your partner feel is best? Why?
  
2. Write two arguments against your partner's response and two reasons why yours is better. If your response is the same as your partners, write two arguments against and two arguments for your chosen form of government.

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**Part 3**

**Directions:** Compare and contrast Ancient Democracy and Modern Democracy.

**Democracy Then and Now**

<b>Athenian Direct Democracy</b>	<b>American Representative Democracy</b>
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**Directions** - Answer each of the following questions as clearly and specifically as possible.

1. What are two ways Athens was ruled before democracy?
2. Who was the first tyrant of Athens?
3. What do you think is the major disadvantage of allowing every citizen to participate in lawmaking?
4. What are aristocrats?
5. How did citizens gain more power over time in Athenian democracy?
6. How did Pericles strengthen Athenian democracy under his rule?