



DEMOCRACY

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1 In the sentence, "Democracy subsided during the heyday of the Roman Empire," what is the best synonym for "subsided?"

- A** Flowered
- B** Withered
- C** Traveled
- D** Strengthened

2 What does "direct democracy" mean?

- A** That people vote on laws themselves, without representatives
- B** That only certain people can serve on juries and hold office
- C** That people who've committed crimes can't vote
- D** That state legislatures elect representatives, not the people themselves

3 How did Athenian democracy differ from Roman republicanism?

- A** In Athens, slaves and women were not allowed to vote; in Rome, they were
- B** In Rome, people elected an emperor; Athens had no emperor
- C** In Rome, landowners were not allowed to vote; in Athens, they were
- D** In Athens, people voted on laws themselves; in Rome, people elected representatives

4  Which of the following people would be able to participate in the Athenian form of democracy?

- A** Nikos, a free male homeowner whose parents both were born in Athens
- B** Nikos' mother, Athena
- C** Petros, a slave whose owner gave him 2 acres of land for his birthday
- D** Cephas, a free man who does not own property

5 Which of the following is an inherent problem of direct democracy?

- A** Most people aren't mature enough to govern themselves
- B** Most people don't have the time to participate so actively in their government
- C** Direct democracies tend to favor the wealthy
- D** Women never have any rights under direct democracy

6 What feature of Athenian democracy still exists in American democracy?

- A** There is still no powerful executive branch
- B** Representatives are still elected by lottery
- C** Juries still consist of regular citizens
- D** All laws are still subject to popular vote

7 Place the following events in sequence, from earliest to latest: **A**) The Roman Empire; **B**) The Roman Republic; **C**) Athenian democracy

- A** A, C, B
- B** C, B, A
- C** B, C, A
- D** B, A, C

8 What word describes the fact that democracy can take different forms to suit the needs of different countries?

- A** Dictatorial
- B** Autocratic
- C** Inflexible
- D** Adaptable

9  What can you infer from the fact that more than half the world's countries are democracies?

- A** Half the world's people are entitled to vote in U.S. elections
- B** Half the world's people have very little say in how they're governed
- C** Half the world's people live in the U.S. and Europe
- D** Half the world's people do not know what elections are

10 In which state would direct democracy work best?

- A** A large state with an enormous population of uninformed citizens
- B** A state with a small population of uninformed citizens
- C** A small state with a population of educated citizens
- D** A large state with a large population of educated citizens



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DEFINE Can you explain the terms below in your own words?

CITIZEN:

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VOTE:

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LOTTERY:

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JURY:

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DIRECT DEMOCRACY:

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REPUBLIC:

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REPRESENTATIVE:

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ELECT:

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EMPIRE:

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RESTRICTION:

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Choose an additional term from the movie to define.

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