

THEME: POLITICS

VOCABULARY

WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. ANARCHY** – absence of government
Synonym – nihilism; lawlessness
Antonym- government; order
- 2. AUTOCRACY** – domineering rule or control
Synonym – absolutism, despotism
Antonym - democracy; republic
- 3. BUREAUCRACY** – complicated administrative procedure
Synonym – administration; government
Antonym- adhocracy
- 4. COMMUNISM** – system where the state owns everything
Synonym – collectivism; socialism
Antonym- democracy; self-rule
- 5. DEMOCRACY** – government by the people
Synonym – self-government; autonomy
Antonym- dictatorship; tyranny
- 6. MATRIARCHY** - female authority
Synonym – matriarchate
Antonym- patriarchy
- 7. MONARCHY** – a state that has a monarch
Synonym – kingship; monarchism
Antonym- democracy
- 8. OLIGARCHY** – a country run by few people
Synonym – authoritarianism; despotism
Antonym- autonomy; autocracy
- 9. PLUTOCRACY** – government by the wealthy
Synonym – argentocracy, aristocracy
Antonym- pauper; have-not
- 10. TYRANNY** – oppressive government
Synonym – despotism, absolutism
Antonym- democracy; liberality

EXERCISES

EXERCISE 1

FIND THE SYNONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. AUTOCRACY | a) aristocracy | b) despotism | c) tyranny | d) republic |
| 2. COMMUNISM | a) despotism | b) kingship | c) socialism | d) fatherly |
| 3. TYRANNY | a) autocracy | b) absolutism | c) pauper | d) socialist |
| 4. MONARCHY | a) democracy | b) government | c) kingship | d) order |
| 5. PLUTOCRACY | a) aristocracy | b) patriarchy | c) democracy | d) instruct |

EXERCISE 2

FIND THE ANTONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. ANARCHY | a) lawlessness | b) patriarchy | c) order | d) chaos |
| 2. MATRIARCHY | a) patriarchy | b) anarchy | c) pauper | d) kings |
| 3. BUREAUCRACY | a) mobocracy | b) autocracy | c) adhococracy | d) socialist |
| 4. DEMOCRACY | a) autonomy | b) govern | c) tyranny | d) liberal |
| 5. OLIGARCHY | a) pauper | b) autocracy | c) patriarchy | d) order |

EXERCISE 3

FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE APROPRIATE WORDS FROM THE VOCABULARY LIST

1. Germany under Adolf Hitler was an _____, however, today Germany is a federal _____.
2. The author writes about the magnificent _____ under the queens of Bhopal in a century of _____.
3. Affirmative action can be an effective tool to enhance representative _____ and enrich _____.
4. An _____ is a society ruled by a few elite people, while a _____ is when a society is ruled by a monarch.
5. A _____ is controlled exclusively by the wealthy, while _____ tries to create a classless society.