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Evolution of Democracy in Athens

Unit 4: Classical Athens
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Based on your assigned role and the way Athenian government worked prior to the reforms, what is your opinion of Athenian government?

Athenian Reforms: What are the functions and makeup of the three parts of Athenian government?
Who gets to participate?

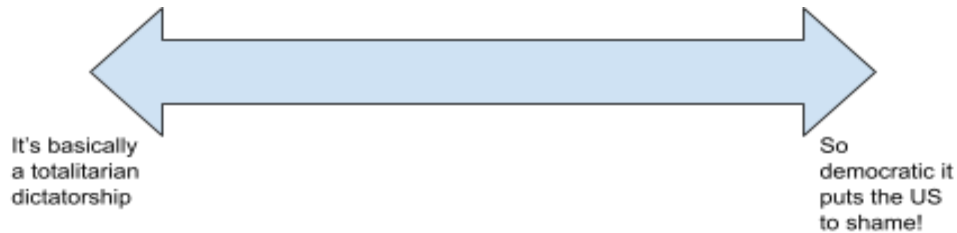
Ecclesia (or Ekklesia)	Boule	Dikasteria

What was the role of ostracism in the Athenian government?

How did this version of Athenian Democracy develop in the first place? ([video clip](#))

Why was Solon considered a great reformer? How did he compare to Draco, the previous ruler?	What was the impact of the rule of Cleisthenes?
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Compare Draco, Solon and Cleisthenes. How “democratic” were these three leaders of Athens? You can find them [here](#) on the powerpoint. Do not copy the information. Instead, explain why you think their reforms were/were not democratic & beneficial for Athens.



<u>Draco</u>	<u>Solon</u>
<u>Peisistratus</u>	<u>Cleisthenes</u>

How does Athenian Democracy after Cleisthenes’ reforms compare to the US version of a democratic government?

Today “tyrant” typically has a negative connotation as someone who rules oppressively, but that is not the original meaning of the term. Why do you think the meaning changed? Can tyrants be good, or is amassing power illegally, even in the name of reform, bad?

