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<p><b>1-Definition of Democracy</b></p> <p><b>(Use your words)</b></p>	<p><b>Democracy Words</b></p> <p>Demos = the people. Greek for “rule by the people” Government by the people</p> <p>A form of government where ultimate power is vested in the people A state characterized by political equality of rights and privileges 1=1 One person = one vote Majority Rule + Minority Rights</p> <p>Michael Mandelbaum → <a href="#">Democracy's Good Name</a> (see introduction)</p> <p>Democracy = Popular sovereignty + Liberty People Rule Freedom and Rights Political Rights Civil Liberties Voting Individual Rights <a href="#">Majority Rule</a> Minority Rights</p>
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<p><b>3- Claim: Yes Democratic</b>  <b>Facts/Data/Information/Reason</b>  <b>(prove the US is democratic)</b></p>	<p>18 Years Old, Citizen, Registered - qualifications to vote  14th, 15th, 19th, 24th, 26th amendments expanded voting rights  Reps, Senators, Executives (Federal &amp; local) are elected offices  17th amendment - Legislatures...to...the people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 200 mil registered voters/323 mil people = 62% of U.S. are registered voters</li> <li>- 200 mil registered voters/235 ELIGIBLE voters = 85%</li> </ul>
<p><b>4-Claim: No, Not democratic</b>  <b>Facts/Data/Information/Reason</b>  <b>(prove the US is undemocratic)</b></p>	<p>Electoral College  Senate = WY 450,000 = 2 Senators; CA 45,000,000 = 2 senators WHAT???</p> <p>Public Opinion does not equal policy</p> <p>Gerrymandering - politicians pick their voters instead of voters picking their politicians</p>