

Types of Government



Government

What is
government?





Government

Government is an **organization** people set up to **protect** the community and **make rules**

What does a government do?

- Protects the community
- Makes Laws
- Keeps order



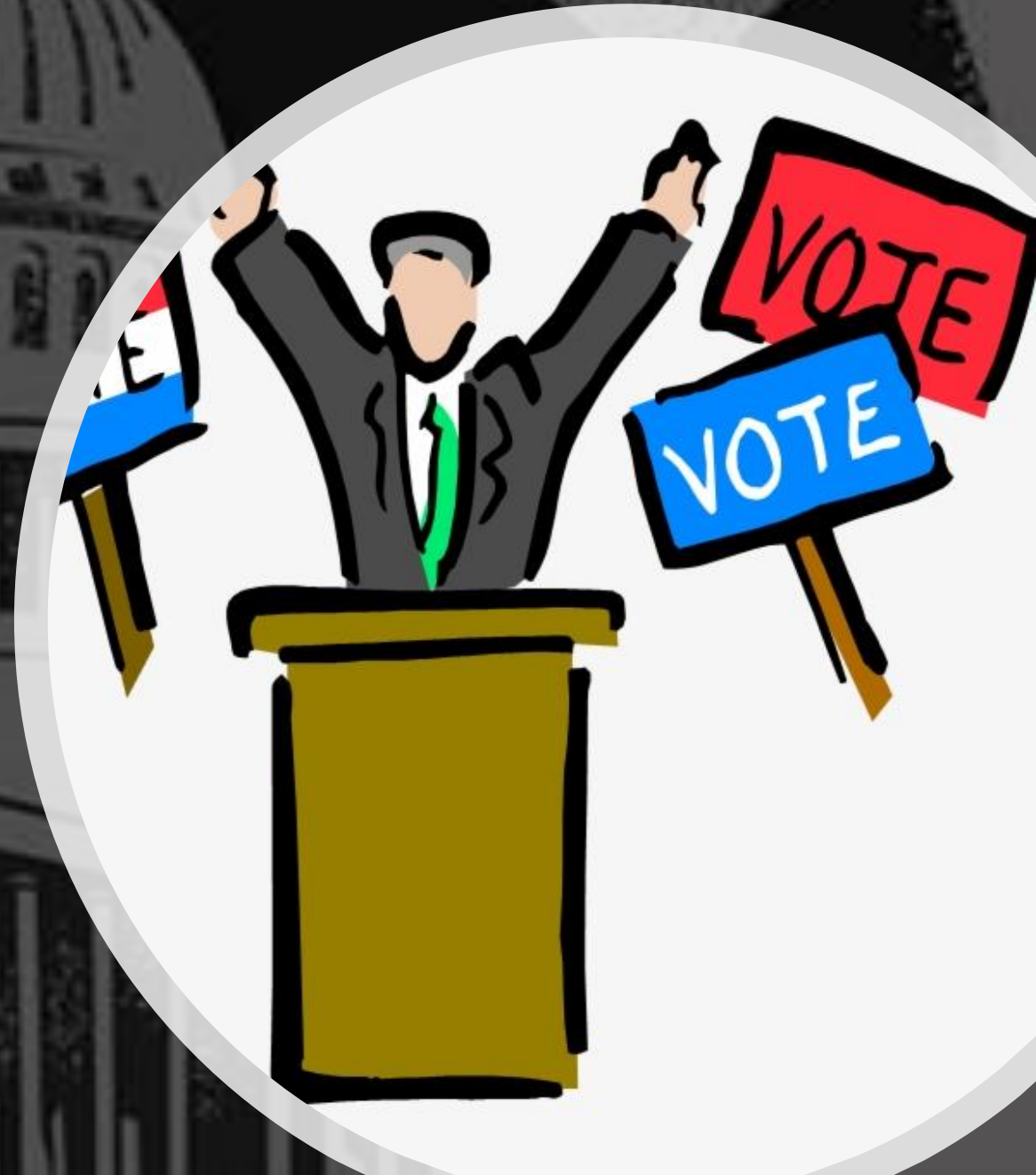
4 common types of government

- Monarchy
- Dictatorship
- Democracy
- Theocracy



Democracy

- The Government is *elected by the people*
- Everyone who is eligible has a *vote*
- **Direct Democracy**
 - People vote directly on EVERY issue
 - Only practical in a small community/tribe
- **Representative Democracy**
 - People are represented by elected officials
 - Used in large countries
 - Also know as a republic





Monarchy

- Power in the hands of **king or queen**
- Rule is passed on to the heirs
- 2 Types
 - **Absolute**=Monarch as **ALL the power**, complete control
 - **Constitutional**=Monarch **shares power** with a democratic government, usually a prime minister, and parliament



Dictatorship

- Ruled by a single leader that has *NOT been elected* or born into their position.
- Usually acquires the position by a military takeover and may *use force* to keep control



Theocracy

- Government rulers are *leaders of the dominant religion*
- Governmental policies are strongly influenced by the area's religion
- Government claims to *rule on behalf of God*



Exit Ticket

- What type of government do we have in the United States?
- What type of government has a king or queen?

