

Activity One: Ancient Athenian Democracy

INDIVIDUAL REPORT

Compare and contrast Athenian Democracy and United States Democracy. What are the shortcomings of both systems? What are the positive aspects of both systems? Which democracy would you rather live in? Why?

Evaluation Criteria

- Compares at least three aspects of Ancient Athenian democracy and present-day United States democracy
- Cites and clearly explains three pros & cons of each system of government
- Specifies the society in which you would prefer to live & justifies your choice with at least three reasons
- Explains to what extent Ancient Athenian society was democratic

Democratic Ideals

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EC	Exceeds EC	Meets the EC	Progressing towards the EC's	Minimally addresses the EC's
Compares at least three aspects of Ancient Athenian democracy and present-day United States democracy (25%)	Compares more than three aspects (25%)	Compares three aspects of Ancient Athenian democracy & present-day United States democracy (21%)	Compares two aspects (18%)	Compares only one aspect of Ancient Athenian democracy & present-day United States democracy (15%)
Cites and clearly explains three pros & cons of each system of government (25%)	Cites & clearly explains three pros & cons of each system of government with elaborate examples, or explains more than three pros & cons (25%)	Cites and clearly explains three pros & cons of each system of government (21%)	Cites and clearly explains two pros & cons of each system of government (18%)	Cites and clearly explains only one pro & con of each system of government (15%)
Specifies the society in which you would prefer to live & justifies your choice with at least three reasons (25%)	Specifies the society in which you would prefer to live & justifies your choice with more than three reasons (25%)	Specifies the society in which you would prefer to live & justifies your choice with three reasons (21%)	Specifies the society in which you would prefer to live & justifies your choice with two reasons (18%)	Specifies the society in which you would prefer to live & justifies your choice with only one reason (15%)
Explains to what extent Ancient Athenian society was democratic (25%)	Explains to what extent Ancient Athenian society was democratic with specific examples and considers how it was not democratic (25%)	Explains to what extent Ancient Athenian society was democratic with specific examples (21%)	Explains in general terms to what extent Ancient Athenian society was democratic (18%)	Unclear or incomplete explanation (15%)