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What geographic reason affected where Greeks settled?

Learning Objectives

I will be able too...

explain who the reformers were behind democratic principles in Athens.

list the 4 reforms that took place in ancient Athens.

define “direct democracy”

Athenian Democracy

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First Stirring of Democracy: Athens

Reformers wished to stop the abuse of power and replace the oligarchy with a democracy.

democracy



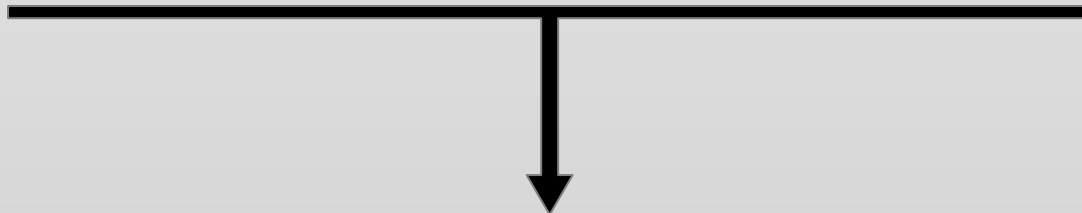
demokratia

demo:

the people

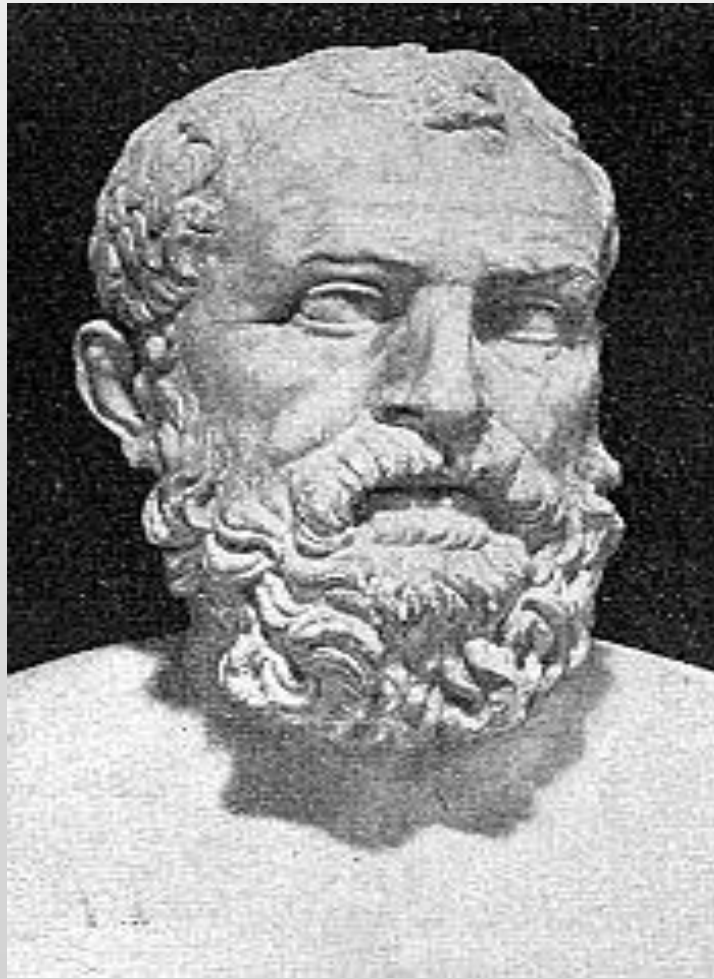
kratia:

power or rule



rule by the people

Major Athenian Reformer #1: Solon



Solon (cont.)

Ended slavery for debtors

Granted citizens right to vote

Voters in Ancient Athens Included:

Adult males over the age of 18
who had Athenian parents.

12% of its citizens

Major Athenian Reformer #2: Pericles

A general and a statesman

Set up salaries for public gov't officials

Athens became 1st direct democracy

Famous for a speech he gave called
“The Funeral Oration” in 431 BC

Direct Democracy Explained

Citizens take part in the day-to-day affairs of government.

Today, most democratic countries, people elect representation.

Athenian Democracy

The
Ekklesia
(Assembly)

The
Boule
(Council of 500)

The
Dikasteria
(The Courts)

Ecclesia

**Citizens Assembly: Debated
laws and important decisions**

Boule

Council of 500

Chosen at random

**debated important decisions
and negotiated with foreign
states**

Dikasteria

People's Court (6000 jurors)

Random selection

judged those who violated laws

Magistrates (9)

Elected by Ecclesia

Applied laws

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0fivQUIC7-8>

Central Historical Question

*Was ancient Athens truly
democratic?*