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1. Journal about a political issue you feel strongly about. Describe two sides of the issue and the reasons behind your chosen side.
2. List four ways you might be able to make your voice heard.

Learning Objectives

- Identify the origin and purpose of government.
- Examine the powers and limits of government

Vocabulary CC: 8 Due Mon. 11/14

Constitution

City-State

Empire

Nation-State

Unitary System

Federal System

Sovereignty

Diplomacy

Democracy

Monarchy

Authoritarian

Communism

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Government and Citizenship

Pages 102-105

Read the story in your text on page 102-103. Think about these questions and be prepared to share.

1. By age 22, what kind of political experience does Anne Marie have?
2. What has Anne Marie found so rewarding about her work in politics?
3. There are a few years before vote. How do you think you can be an active citizen before then?

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Before taking notes, please read page 104-105 of your text.

1. How do constitutions limit the powers of government?
2. How do limited and unlimited governments differ?

Government: Group of people who have the power to make and enforce laws for a country or area.

Purpose of Government: keep order, provide services, protect.

- Collect taxes to pay for national security and services such as police, fire and education
- Build roads and schools for the common good

Origins of Government:

Simple Government: People lived in groups and had leaders who kept order and made decisions.

Complex Government: Appeared in SW Asia 5000 years ago. Villages grew into cities. The need for more organization was needed.

i.e. Irrigation, Food production and distribution

Powers of Government: Basic rules govern most governments today called a Constitution.

Constitution: Basic rules and principles organizing a government. Identifies the power a government has.

Limited Government

- Governments actions are limited by the law
- Work to protect the common good and provide for people's needs.
- People can gather freely to express opinions and work to change government policy.
- i.e United States

Unlimited Government

- No limits on government actions.
- One ruler or small ruling group has power to make all decisions for a country.
- Unlimited government can lead to tyranny (unjust use of power).
- Do not protect citizens basic rights. Restrict citizens rights.
- i.e. China

Article Analysis Due: 11/11 pg. 82

Read and analyze the article provided or find any article related to national news. This can be a newspaper, magazine or online article. The article should involve proposed legislation, response to protests, or recent court decisions.

Use the Article Analysis worksheet to guide you in your analysis. When done place on page 82.