

Militant

Militant



- **Definition**: Combative and aggressive, or someone who is actively in combat (verbal or physical).
- **Sentence**: The young man was very militant in his actions towards his teacher.

Armada

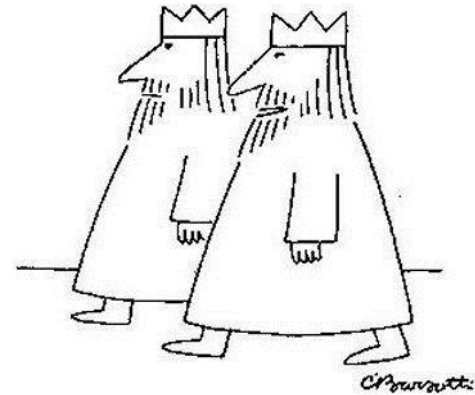
Armada



- **Definition**: A fleet of warships.
- **Sentence**: The English sunk that Spanish Armada in 1588 and became the most powerful Navy in the world.

Divine Right of Kings

Divine Right of Kings

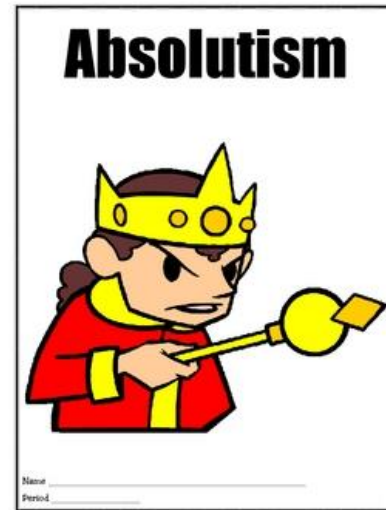


*"Once you get past the divine right of kings,
I'm not much into theology."*

- **Definition**: Theory that a monarch is not subject to earthly authority. They derive their power from God and answer only to them.
- **Sentence**: The French Monarchs claimed their power by Divine Right, that they were appointed by god.

Absolutism

Absolutism



- **Definition**: One person holds absolute unchallengeable power.
- **Sentence**: The English practiced a form of Limited Monarchy where the French utilized absolutism, also known as an Absolute Monarchy

Czar

Czar



Czar Nicholas II

- **Definition**: A Russian Emperor, pre 1917.
- **Sentence**: Czar Nicholas II led his country through many battles, often emerging victorious.

Boyars

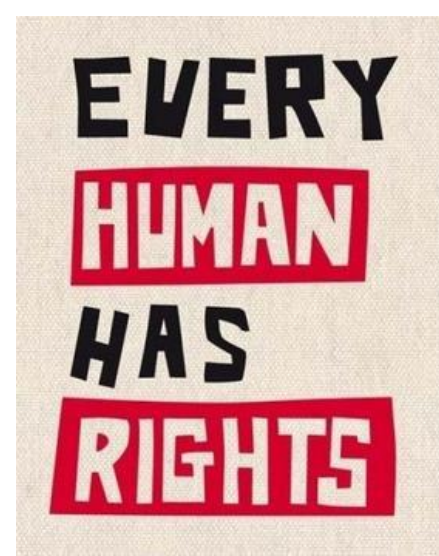
Boyars



- **Definition**: A member of the aristocracy in Russia, next in rank to a prince.
- **Sentence**: The Boyars controlled a large portion of the farm land in Russia.

Natural Rights

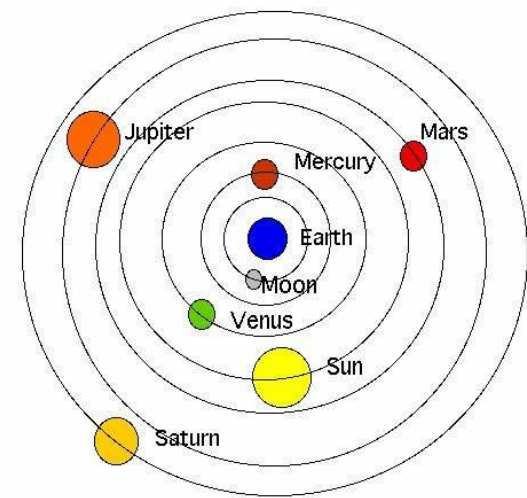
Natural Rights



- **Definition**: Universal inalienable rights that can not be repealed or taken away by human laws.
- **Sentence**: Many enlightenment thinkers pushed the idea of Natural Rights, or rights every person possesses.

Geocentric

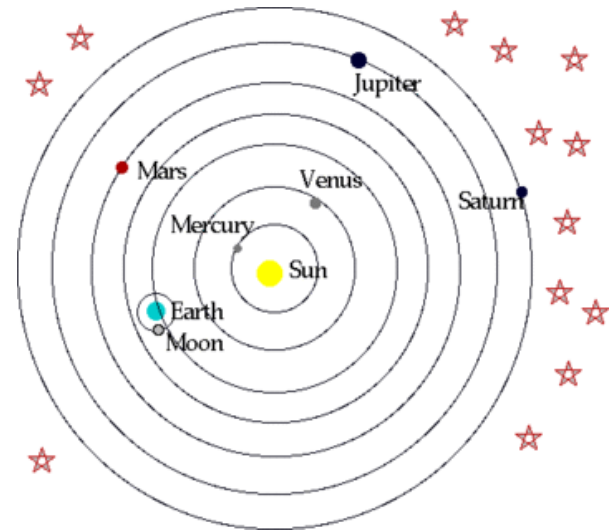
Geocentric



- **Definition**: A astronomical theory also known as the Ptolemaic system, where Earth is at the center of all celestial bodies.
- **Sentence**: Prior to Galileo the Geocentric was widely accepted as the way the Universe worked, when Galileo challenged this with his heliocentric theory he was imprisoned by the Catholic church.

Heliocentric

Heliocentric



- **Definition**: Have the sun as the center of the solar system.
- **Sentence**: The current belief is that we are in a heliocentric universe, where the sun is the center of our solar system.

Scientific Method

Scientific Method

Scientific Method



- **Definition**: A method of inquiry based on empirical or measureable evidence.
- **Sentence**: The Scientific Method helped usher in the Scientific Revolution, and led to the discovery of many new scientific wonders.

Laissez-Faire

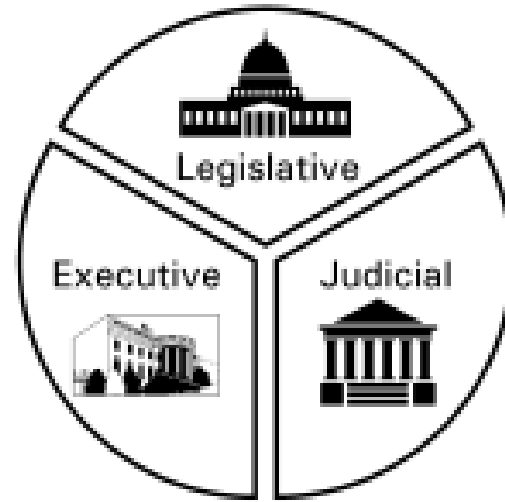
Laissez-Faire



- **Definition**: An economic theory proposed by Adam Smith where he suggest the government leave their “hands off” the economy and let people run it.
- **Sentence**: Over the past 100 years America has essentially forgotten the idea of laissez-faire with government sanctions, bailouts, and regulations.

Separation of Powers

Separation of Powers



- **Definition**: The idea that a government should be separated into smaller branches or groups in order to dilute the source of power and prevent corruption.
- **Sentence**: When creating the U.S. Constitution the founding fathers utilized Montesquieu's idea of Separation of powers to create three branches of government.

Social Contract

Social Contract



- **Definition**: The theory that individuals will give up some of their own freedoms in exchange for protection of their remaining rights. (Give up some rights to live in a better society)
- **Sentence**: Most people live under a form of social contract, where they follow rules and regulations for protection from others.

Mestizos

Mestizos



- **Definition**: Someone of European and Native American descent.
- **Sentence**: When the Spanish came to the New World many mestizos were born.

Mulattoes

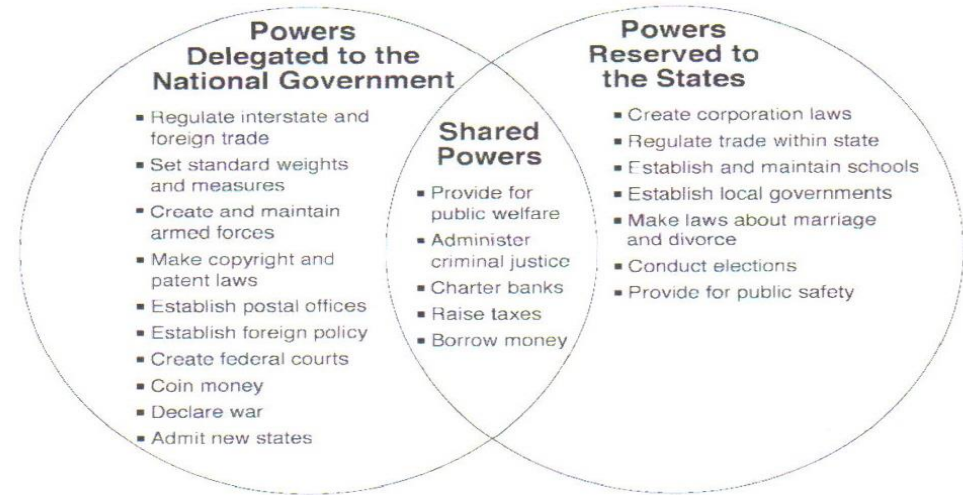
Mulattos



- **Definition**: A person of mixed white and black ancestry. In the 17th -19th century usually a child of a master and a slave.
- **Sentence**: There are many rumors around the relationship between Thomas Jefferson and his slave Sally Hemings, which resulted in the birth of mulatto children.

Federal System

Federal System



- **Definition**: A system of government where powers are shared by State and National (Federal) governments.
- **Sentence**: The United States utilizes a federal system of law, where both states and the federal government can punish criminal offenders.

Bourgeoisie

Bourgeoisie



- **Definition**: Middle class
- **Sentence**: The bourgeoisie usually is the largest group of a country.

Coup d'état

Coup d'état



- **Definition**: Also just known as Coup, is a sudden violent and illegal seizure of power from a government.
- **Sentence**: In the movie the interview Dave Skylark helps initiate a Coup d'état in North Korea.

Nationalism

Nationalism



- **Definition**: Having pride and belief in ones Nation.
- **Sentence**: Hitler provided German citizens with a great sense of nationalism in the events leading up to World War II.