

What is the purpose of government?

What are authority and legitimacy as they relate to government?

Types of Government:

- Authoritarianism
- totalitarianism
- aristocracy
- oligarchy
- theocracy
- democracy

Forms of direct democracy – referendum, initiative, recall

What kind of government do we have?

- Republic
- majoritarianism, elite theory, and pluralism

US Constitution – brief summary

- Preamble, 7 Articles, and 27 Amendments

What is the difference between federalism and its alternatives (unitary and confederal)?

Powers – Federal, State, and Shared – Venn Diagram

- Federal - enumerated (elastic – “necessary and proper”), inherent, denied
 - examples:

- States – reserved
 - examples:

- Both – concurrent
 - examples:

What is the supremacy clause?

Civil Liberties:

What are the 5 parts of the 1st Amendment?

What is the difference between the free exercise clause and the establish clause of the 1st Amendment?

What is symbolic speech?

What is the difference between slander and libel?

What does the 14th Amendment do?

Rights of the Accused – 4th- 8th Amendments
worksheet – terms and steps in a court case
(study the worksheet – matching)

Civil Rights:

What is the significance between the *Plessy v. Ferguson* (1896) and *Brown v. Board of Ed.* (1954) cases?

How did Southern states attempt to prevent African Americans from voting after the approval of the 15th Amendment?

What is gender discrimination?

What is feminism?

What incident kicked off the Gay Rights movement?

What is affirmative action?

