* **What is a Government?**
* Every society needs rules
  + If not, there is chaos
  + Perfect Governments do 3 things:
  + Make the Rules
  + Enforce the Rules
  + Determine who has broken the rules
* The US Government **SERVES** the people
  + The Government protects your unalienable rights:
    - Life
    - Liberty (freedoms)
    - Pursuit of Happiness
    - How?
  + Making Laws
  + Enforcing laws
  + Determining if people break the Laws
* The United States Government:
  + serves the people
* In other countries, Governments are different
  + Some are strict
  + Some are lenient
  + Some have different objectives and goals
    - But ***ALL*** try to establish order
* **Democracy**
* Greek Translation:
  + “People” “Rule”
* **Representative Democracy**
* The People **vote** for Representatives
* The **Representatives** make Laws to **HELP** the people
* **Direct Democracy**
* The People **vote** on EVERY decision
* All 10 Million NC citizens vote
* **Absolute Monarchy**
* King or Queen has ALL of the Power
* How? Claims the power was granted by God
* Uses the power:
  + Become Stronger and Wealthier
* **Constitutional Monarchy**
* King or Queen has most of the Power
* Representatives have some power
  + Elected by the People
* Uses the power:
  + Become Stronger and Wealthier
  + Protect Citizens
* **Dictatorship**
* Dictator has all the power
* How? Through Military Force.
* Uses the power:
  + Become Stronger and Wealthier
* **Technocracy**
* Experts have all the Power
  + Doctors, Engineers, Scientists, economists etc.
* Do What’s best of the People and Country