Ancient Greece

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**1.a) What are aristocrats?**

Aristocrats are a group of rich landowners.

**b) How were oligarchy and tyranny different?**

Oligarchies were a society in which a few elite (often aristocrats) ruled society, whereas under tyranny, one leader (often a military leader) ruled society. Oligarchies were able to stay in power because they could make laws which ensured they kept their power, whereas tyrants could keep power through the force of their military.

**2. a) Describe the democracy created by Cleisthenes.**

In Cleisthenes’ democracy all citizens in Athens had a right to participate in the assembly that created laws; their opinion could be heard. All citizens could also vote. Women, slaves, and foreigners did not get a say.

**b) How did Pericles change Athenian democracy?**

He encouraged people to participate in government and paid people to serve in public offices and on juries. He also helped introduce democracy to other parts of Greece.

**3. a) What type of democracy did Athens have?**

Athens had a direct democracy.

**b) In what situations would a representative democracy work better than in a direct democracy?**

A representative democracy works better when dealing with a group that is too large to address / hear everyone’s opinion. For example, a direct democracy couldn’t work when running a country of millions of people, because the numbers are far too big.