

Comparing Democracy

Cut out the statements and stick them into the correct column in the table.

Democracy in Ancient Greece	Democracy in the UK today

The group of men who make daily decisions are chosen randomly.	Voters can choose from a few different political parties. Each party has a different set of ideas.
MPs are voted for and join together to make a parliament.	There is no police; a group of 500 jurors decide the punishments.
All citizens (men and women) over the age of 18 can vote.	The elected party will stay in power for four years.
Only men are allowed to vote.	Any male citizen can join the assembly who meet regularly to make decisions about how the state is run.

Challenge 

Think about what our country would be like without a system of democracy. What challenges would we face?