Government Systems Summary

1. Democracy is a form of government where citizens hold the political power and have a great deal of input into the government.

2. A monarchy is a form of government where a monarch (king or a queen) rules the country.

3. The form of government where a small group of people rule is called oligarchy.

4. A government system in which all power is held by a single person is called autocracy.

5, 6. The two main forms of democracy are presidential democracy and parliamentary democracy.

7-9. Match the system to the correct description. Write the letter in the space provided.

7. Unitary system C
   A. a group of independent states join together; ruled by a weak central government
   B. power is shared by central (national), state and local governments
   C. a central government writes all laws for the entire country

10. This branch of the government writes laws for the country. legislative

11. This branch of the government settles disputes about the laws in a country. judicial

12. This branch of the government carries out (enforces) the laws. executive

13. The Cobb county government is an example of a local government.

14. The state of Georgia government is an example of a state government.

15. The United States government is an example of a central government.

16. Written system of basic rules and principles by which a government is organized is called a Constitution.

17. Tyranny is a term that describes an unjust use of power.

18. A system of checks and balances is set up in most constitutional Governments to insure that there are limits on each branches of government’s power.

19. An example of an expectation that I have of government is defense/protection.

20. An example of an expectation that my government would have of me is pay taxes.