AFTER THE APOCALYPSE: WHAT TYPE OF GOVERNMENT?

- **Authoritarian:** systems in which those in power hold absolute authority over the people. Types of authoritarian governments: Absolute monarchy or dictatorship. *Example:* Cuba's government is a dictatorship run by Raul Castro.
- **Direct Democracy:** All citizens of the state make all the decisions in mass meetings. *Example:* Switzerland is the closest country that has a direct democracy. Citizens have much more political power than other countries.
- **Republic:** A Representational democracy where Leaders elected by the people represent the people in matters of common welfare. *Example:* The United States is a republic because representatives make decisions for the people.
- **Theocracy:** A country run by religious leaders. *Example:* Even though Iran has a president, the country is mainly ruled by the Ayatollah, their supreme religious leader.

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