

## Scribe #57 - Pericles & Democracy

Pericles, the most famous leader in all of Athenian history, wanted the city's people to be proud of their city. In his speeches, he emphasized the greatness of Athenian democracy and encouraged everyone (who was allowed to) to take part.

**Athenian democracy was different from the type of democracy we have in America today. For example, to vote on laws, the people directly voted for the laws. Today, American elect representatives to vote on laws they think the people they represent (a.k.a. - us!) would best like.**

*Thinking back to our activity on Athenian democracy, what other ways did democracy in Athens differ from democracy in America?*