



Political Parties



What are Political Parties?

- A political organization that unites people in an effort to place its representatives in government offices in order to influence government activities and policies (p. 135)
- Three main characteristics:
 1. Place Representatives
 2. Nominate Candidates
 3. Exercise Power

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Functions of Political Parties

- Several Functions:
 1. Linkage Institution
 2. Political Socialization
 3. Mobilize and Recruit Activists
 4. Leadership Recruitment
 5. Formulating Public Policy
 6. Organize Government



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Origins of Political Parties

- Linked to the spread of mass participation
 - Hierarchical Transformation
 - Patron-Client Relations
 - Mass Parties
 - Social Movements



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Party Systems

- Four main types:
 1. No-Party System
 2. One-Party System
 3. Two-Party System
 4. Multiparty System



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Classifying Political Parties

- Classified by party ideology


