Rise of the Roman Republic Notes

What were the characteristics of the Roman Republic and how did they change over time?

Do Now: Describe a time when you felt you were treated unfairly. What actions did you take to improve the situation? What actions could you have taken that you didn’t? Why didn’t you?

Vocabulary

Patrician    Plebian    Republic    Senate
Consul     Tribune     Veto     Constitution

Section 2

1. Who ruled Rome between 616 and 509 B.C.E.?

2. Who were the patricians? How much power did they have?

3. Who were the plebeians? How much power did they have?
Sections 3 and 4 - for each section, make a drawing on each pan of the balance scale to show how power was divided in early Rome. The drawing representing the group with more power should be on the "weighted," or lower, pan. Then answer the question.

**Section 3**

1. On each pan of the balance, draw and label a stick figure to represent a patrician and a plebeian. Give them appropriate facial expressions.

2. What was the balance of power between patricians and plebeians when the republic was first created?

3. Why was the balance of power like this?

**Section 4**

1. On each pan of the balance, draw and label a stick figure to represent a patrician and a plebeian. Give them appropriate facial expressions.

2. What was the balance of political power between patricians and plebeians during the Conflict of the Orders in 494 B.C.E.?

3. Why were the patricians frightened by the actions of the plebeians?
Section 5

1. Describe two ways in which plebeians gained more political power after the revolts of 494 B.C.E.
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2. In each "step" below, summarize the change in Roman government that led to greater equality for the plebeians.

3. On the spoke diagram below, add the political characteristics of the Roman Republic that were adopted later in other parts of the world.