

Outcome 8.2: explain factors that influence political stability

Use your notes and pp. 383-386 in your text to complete the items below.

1. **Knowledge:** Define the terms below.

Democratic state:

Authoritarian state:

2. **Comparison:** Complete the table to summarize the characteristics of democratic and authoritarian states. Use your notes and pp. 384-385 to find the information you need.

Characteristic	Democratic State	Authoritarian State
Citizen Rule		
Majority and Minority Rights		
Individual Rights		
Fair and Free Elections		

Citizen Participation		
Cooperation and Compromise		

3. **Comparison:** How can democratic and authoritarian states be considered politically stable or unstable? Provide examples where appropriate.

Democratic	Authoritarian