The Roman Republic

RED = Roman

BLUE = USA

Tripartite	Tripartite
3 branches	3 branches
Legislative	Legislative
Executive	Executive
Judicial	Judicial

Legislative - makes the laws

Senate - 300	Senate - 100 (2 from each state)
Represents the rich	higher status - 6 yr term
(patricians)	represent entire state
Assembly	House of Representatives
Represents the poor	lower status - 2 yr term
(plebeians)	represents part of a state
worked with the leaders	worked with the leaders

Executive - enforces the laws

2 consuls; serve 1 year only	1 president; serves 4 years;
	can be re-elected once
Command the army	Commander-in-chief
Heads the gov't	Heads the gov't

Judicial - interprets the laws

8 judges; served for 1 year	9 justices in Supreme Court;
	serve for <u>life</u>

Miscellaneous:

Separation of powers (separates the gov't into 3 branches)

One consul can veto another

Written constitution ("Twelve Tables")

Citizens vote

Free, adult, male

Citizens have civic duty

(serve their nation:
serve in the army,
vote, pay taxes,
jury duty by upper class)

Cincinnatus - believed in giving power back to the people

Separation of powers (separates the gov't into 3 branches)

Checks and balances (one branch can "veto" the others)

Written constitution ("The U. S. Constitution")

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forces, jury duty, pay
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Washington - believed in giving power back to the people

Veto - overrule Dictator - a leader with absolute power