

Democratization Report Card

Country Researched: _____

Final Grade Given: _____

Directions: For each indicator of democratic health, read the qualification questions. Based on the information you find, circle the box if the answer to the question is “yes”. If the answer is “no”, draw an X over the box. Then, total the number of points for each category. Ensure to document your notes in the evidence boxes.

Indicators of Democratic Health:	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Total points for category:
Elections and Governance	Is the current head of government (president, prime minister, or similar) elected through free and fair elections?	Are the current national legislative representatives elected through free and fair elections?	Do the elected heads of government and representatives determine the policies of the government?	Do minorities have full political rights and the opportunity to vote?	
<u>Evidence for your score:</u>					
Civic Participation	Do the people have the right to organize in different political parties in opposition to the ruling government?	Are elections open to participation by a broad segment of the population?	Is there a realistic opportunity for the opposition to win an election?	Are the people's political choices free from coercion and intimidation?	
<u>Evidence for your score:</u>					

Indicators of Democratic Health:	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Yes = 1 point No = 0 points	Total points for category:
Human Rights	Are individuals free to practice and express their religious faith or nonbelief in public and private?	Are individuals free to move about and free to associate with or marry whom they choose?	Are individuals protected from the use of physical force?	Are individuals free to express their personal or political views without fear of surveillance or retribution?	
<u>Evidence for your score:</u> 					
Rule of Law	Is there an independent judiciary?	Does due process prevail in civil and criminal trials?	Does the government operate with openness and transparency?	Are safeguards against official corruption strong and effective?	
<u>Evidence for your score:</u> 					