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| **Country** | **Government Type** | **Leader (Title & Name)** | **Voting** | **Other** |
| Israel | Parliamentary Democracy | Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu | All citizens can vote.  Citizens elect Prime Minister and Parliament. | Parliament = Knesset  Security is a major issue. |
| Saudi Arabia | Islamic Autocratic (Absolute) Monarchy | King Salman  inherited the throne | Citizens vote for local council members only. | Qur’an is the constitution  Laws are based on Islamic (Sharia) law. |
| Turkey | Parliamentary Democracy | President Recep Erdogan  \*breaks the rules: recently given more power through a vote | 18 years of age - universal | Has limited freedom of speech – arrests of journalists |

-Head of Government: involved in running the government and making laws (more power)

-Chief of State: ceremonial position (speeches, meets with foreign leaders, state dinners)