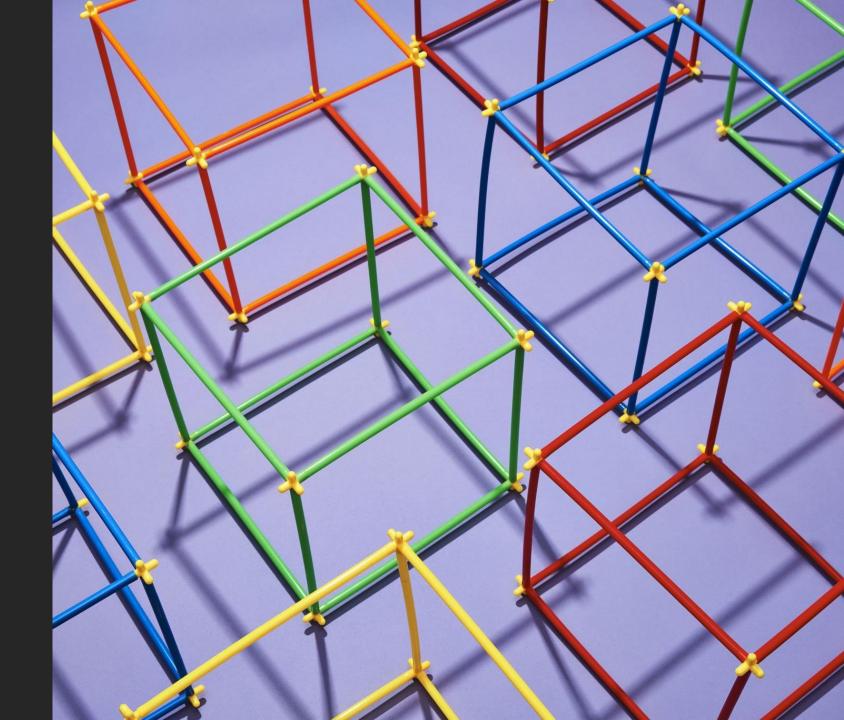
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DEMOCRACY : WHERE YOU DECIDE

- Government for the people by the people
- 64 million people live in the UK
- 40 million in England, 2.3 million in Wales and 4 million people in Scotland have the right to vote.
- People 18 and over get to vote
- 650 constituencies (how the country is divided up into areas each has one MP)
- Every vote counts
- First past the post (the person with the most votes in a constituency wins)
- The party with the majority of MPs leads the parliament
- Hung parliament (where one party does not have enough MP to lead outright)

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- https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/election-2019-50291676

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