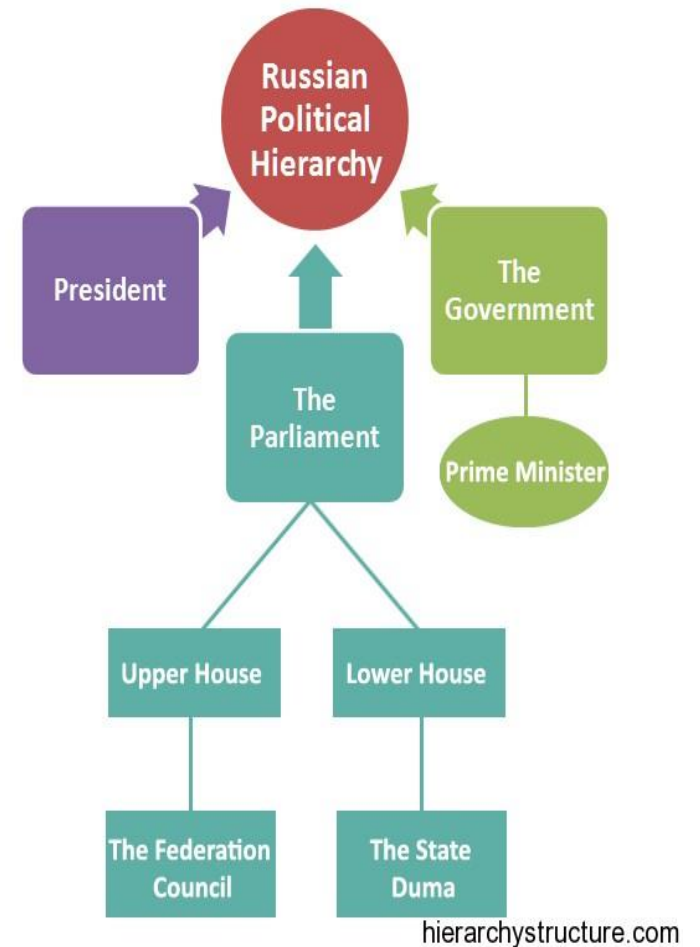


The Structure of Modern Day Russian Government (Left Leg)

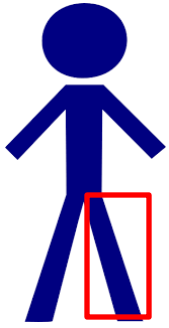
The Russian government is led by the Head of State, who is very similar to the American President. Below the head of state is the Head of Government, or more closely related to a Prime Minister of Canada. Below both of these Heads, there are two Houses. The State Duma is the Lower House, and the Federation Council is the higher house. Both houses have specific responsibilities and jobs, but together create the legislative branch of government. On paper the Russian Federation is similar to the American government structure.



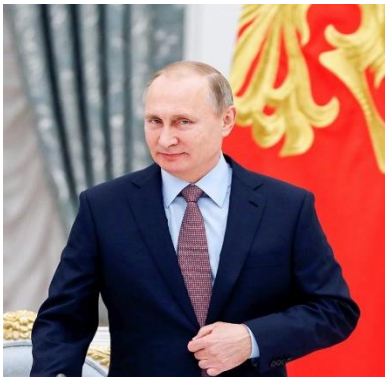
*On your man's left leg describe the structure of the Russian Federation today.

Leadership in Modern Russia

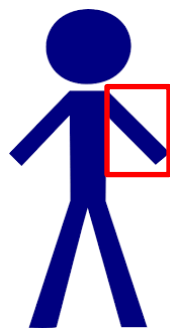
(Right Leg)



Structurally the Russian Federation is very similar to other governments around the world. However, leadership roles are obtained very differently. The Head of State, Vladimir Putin is able to serve up to two five year terms. He then must take a break before returning back to the same position. His Head of Government, Dimitry Medvedev is also able to serve many terms. He is also appointed by the Head of State. The Russian Duma is elected by the people, while the Federation Council and Regional Governors are all appointed by the Head of State (Putin).



****On your man's Right leg describe the how power is obtained in modern day Russia.**

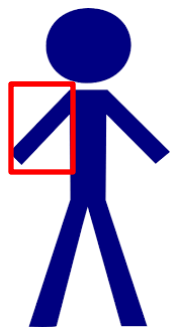


Current Event 1: Social Policy (Left Arm)

As of June 2013 Russia has all but outlawed any and all education, discussion, and illegalized alternative lifestyles (normally referenced as LGBT). Russian government, led by Putin, is using 'gay propaganda' to enforce traditional ways of life and traditional norms onto the entire population. In doing so they have shut down websites, educational facilities, and healthcare to people who follow nontraditional ways of life. Because of these policies there is an increase in targeted hate crimes throughout Russia that have not had any repercussion or punishments. This movement is growing and creating a social divide amongst many Russians. This movement was thought to be spread by the government to continue to show their control over their people.

**On your man's left arm describe how the government takes control over social issues in modern day Russia today.



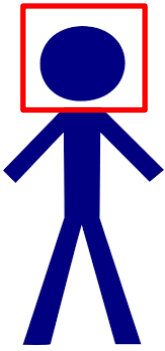


Current Event 2: Government Policy (Right Arm)

In modern day Russia, the Head of State can only be elected for two consecutive (back to back) terms. Today, Putin has served for more than 25 years. Originally he was elected to his two terms, and when he was no longer eligible to serve as Head of State, he and his Prime Ministers (Heads of Government) actually changed government policy, making the Head of Government more powerful, to which he transferred to that position. Once he was eligible to return to Head of State the powers switched back and again he was leading Russia. In essence, Putin has had control of Russia for 25 years. During this time, he has not lost a governor's race or house vote, and the few people who have gained momentum in opposing him have ended up assassinated or they have died 'unexpectedly'. The current events in Russia are creating a difficult way for others to become involved in government.

*On your man's Right arm describe how Putin has been able to maintain control for so long.

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Beliefs of the People (Head of the man)

Although it may seem as if no one in Russia has any say or power in Government, modern day Russia is actually much more free than it once was. Originally, only 1% of the total population was able to own land or make a living, whereas everyone else had to work for the whole. Today, although at times freedoms are limited and less democratic than some areas of the world, Russians are seeing more and more freedoms- especially economically than they had before. Also, importantly to note- Russians are able to protest and have begun to voice their opinions of their governments.

*On your man's Head describe why some Russians do believe they are living in a better society and why they are happier today.

