

## Words Poorly Used #4 — Democracy

The trouble with the word *democracy* is that it can mean almost anything. And politicians, along with manipulators in general, love almost-anything words. Since the very languages which contain the usage democracy are themselves sets of rules made by people the very use of language is democratic. Any learned behavior is democratic — rules by people. Therefore, when someone says they're fighting for democracy, that can include all behaviors from sloth to world domination.

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