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Usa V.S Saudi Arabia

In a world where cultures often don't agree, where few places of true diversity are shown, the United States stands out because we not only accept difference, we also celebrate it. Citizens from many different cultures may have different views, but they all contribute to a respectful government in a country that shows diversity. In the United States participation in government is very different from countries like Saudi Arabia. This is just to show that in the U.S we have individual liberties, a voice in democracy, and the right to show our different culture.

To begin with, we have individual liberties unlike Saudi Arabia. An example of what this means is that we have a choice for what religion we decide on unlike Saudi Arabia which is strictly one religion which is Muslim. This is forced by law and if you don't follow this rule then there come risks. These risks include imprisonment, flogging, and even death. In the U.S we have a choice of religion ("The United States and Saudi Arabia Do Not Share Values").

Furthermore, In the United States we have democracy as our government but in Saudi Arabia they have an absolute monarchy. In Saudi Arabia an absolute monarchy is ruled by the Saud Dynasty, and currently the king is Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud who has been in power since 2015 (Teitelbaum). In America having a democracy means we have freedom of speech in our government, but in Saudi Arabia their government gives them no choice or vote in who gets

thrown into office (“Saudi Arabia - Political Process.”). Having no voice comes with downsides; these downsides include not having a vote or any chance to change or vote off the king, the practice of nepotism leading to power, and the risk of bad governance (“What Are the Disadvantages of an Absolute Monarchy?”).

Lastly, having the right to show diversity in culture. In the United States we have the right to diversity in culture unlike Saudi Arabia. In Saudi Arabia you can bring in a bible if you are a foreigner but if you start speaking publicly you will be punished by prison time (Relief, Global Christian). In the U.S. as a woman you have free right of what to wear and not a dress code to abide by, well in Saudi Arabia women have a specific way to dress which is usually wearing an abaya (a long robe that covers elbow and ankles which can not be shown). Breaking this dress code you may be punished (“Saudi Culture and Customs”).

In conclusion, citizens from many different parts of the world have different views that go to respectful governments. In the Us we have individual liberties, a voice in democracy, and the right to show cultural differences. Do you have freedom in different rights? Do you have a choice of what to wear or say?

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