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Venn Diagram Answer Key

Roman Republic

- 509 BCE to 27 BCE
- Highest official governmental powers were two consuls who were military leaders responsible for ruling the army. Consuls were elected by the patrician, or wealthy, class.
- Legislative body was the Senate, with two major assemblies. The tribal assembly was composed of civilians who elected judges that did not vote on military matters. The centuriate assembly was composed of military leaders who elected judges that voted on military matters.
- Role of economic classes in government: patricians, or wealthy, class, elected the consuls. Plebeians, or lower class, had little say in election of officials.

Both

- Wealthy class played a major role in government.
- Military leaders had positions of power and influence in the government.
- Military matters were an important focus of the government.

Roman Empire

- 27 BCE to 5th century CE
- Highest official governmental power was emperor, or “first citizen.” The emperor was worshipped as a god. The Senate remained in existence but was largely ceremonial. The emperor had power over the Senate.
- Role of economic classes in government: the Senate was composed primarily of either wealthy or military men.