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The Enlightenment was a movement during the 1700's which in which many philosophes focused five main ideas in order to improve in government and politics. These ideas were Reason, Nature, Happiness, Progress and Liberty.




John Locke: Believed in a person's rights to Life, Liberty and Property. His work: *Two Treatises on Government*




Thomas Hobbes: Believed people are born selfish and therefore need a strong central authority. His work: *Leviathan*




Jean-Jacques Rousseau: Believed the Government should be a contract between rulers and people. His work: *The Social Contract*



Baron de Montesquieu: Believed that a government should have a separation of powers. His work: *On the Spirit of Laws*



Voltaire: (Francois Marie Arouet) Believed in freedom of religion, speech, and separation of church and state. His work: *Candide*



Thomas Jefferson: Used many Enlightenment ideas in founding the United States of America. His work: *The Declaration of Independence*