



Context Clues

DIRECTIONS: Suffragette Susan B. Anthony gave the following famous speech in 1872 after been arrested and fined \$100 for an act of civil disobedience: voting in the presidential election. Read her speech. Use context clues to find the meaning of the words below.

To them this government has no just powers derived from the consent of the governed. To them this government is not a democracy. It is not a republic. It is an odious aristocracy; a hateful oligarchy of sex; the most hateful aristocracy ever established on the face of the globe; an oligarchy of wealth, where the rich govern the poor. An oligarchy of learning, where the educated govern the ignorant, or even an oligarchy of race, where the Saxon rules the African, might be endured; but this oligarchy of sex, which makes father, brothers, husband, sons, the oligarchs over the mother and sisters, the wife and daughters, of every household — which ordains all men sovereigns, all women subjects, carries dissension, discord, and rebellion into every home of the nation.

1. The word **oligarch** means:
 - a. one person is the ruler
 - b. power rests with a small group of people
 - c. the people govern themselves
3. A synonym for **dissention** is:
 - a. disagreement
 - b. coordination
 - c. cooperation