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***Directions:*** *Use the information you read about two famous Supreme Court cases to answer the questions below.*

**Plessy v. Ferguson**

1. When did this Supreme Court case take place? **1896**

2. Where did the events related to this case take place? **Louisiana**

3. What was the ruling in this case?

**“Separate” facilities for blacks & whites were constitutional as long as they were “equal”**

4. What reason for the decision was given by the judge for this ruling?

**The 14th amendment could not have been intended to abolish distinctions based upon color**

5. What role did the 14th amendment play in this case?

**It was interpreted by the Supreme Court to mean that distinction between races is okay.**

**Brown v. Board of Education**

1. When did this Supreme Court case take place? **1954**

2. Where did the events related to this case take place? **Topeka, Kansas**

3. What was the ruling in this case?

**In public education, “separate but equal” has no place**

4. What reason for the decision was given by the judge for this ruling?

**Separate educational facilities inherently unequal**

5. What role did the 14th amendment play in this case?

**It was again interpreted by the Supreme Court; who concluded that the amendment was being violated**