Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka / Vocabulary •

As you read the background summary of the Brown case, look for the important vocabulary terms. When you come to one of those terms, look at this page for its definition. Then, check to see if you understand the definition by either sketching a picture of what you think it means, or by putting it in your own words.

1. to appeal (appealed)
   
   Define: to formally request that a lower court decision be examined and reconsidered by a higher court

   Express this term in your own words or in a drawing:

2. district court
   
   Define: a U.S. federal trial level court that serves a judicial district.

   Express this term in your own words or in a drawing:
3. **facility (facilities)**
   
   **Define:** a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry.

   Express this term in your own words or in a drawing:

4. **legal (illegal)**
   
   **Define:** permitted by law.

   Express this term in your own words or in a drawing:

5. **precedent**
   
   **Define:** a court decision on a legal question that guides future cases with similar questions.

   Express this term in your own words or in a drawing:
6. **to segregate (segregation)**

   **Define:** to separate people of different races, classes, or ethnic groups, as in schools, housing, and public or commercial facilities, especially as a form of discrimination

   Express this term in your own words or in a drawing:

7. **to sue (sued)**

   **Define:** used the legal process to force a person, company, organization, or government to give you something or do something.

   Express this term in your own words or in a drawing: