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1. Thurgood Marshall's Birthday – July 2, 1908



Here Comes the Judge

Cindy and Sandra were arguing about who should have to clear the table and wash the dishes after dinner. There was a very special television program on that they both hoped to watch, and neither wanted to miss a minute of it because of chores. Their big brother William heard the commotion and walked into the kitchen to investigate. When he finally got the girls to stop shouting at each other, he made a proposal. He offered to set up a mock courtroom and hear both sides of the discussion. Then he would make what he considered to be the best and fairest decision about who should wash the dishes that evening. If they agreed to the plan, then Cindy and Sandra would also have to abide by the decision. Both girls approved of the idea, and William proceeded to set up his judge's bench and witness chair. When all was ready, he called his sisters back into the room.

"Please be seated," he said in an authoritative and judge-like tone of voice. "Kitchen Court is now in session."

Directions: *Please choose the correct answer and write its alphabet letter on the space in front of the appropriate question.*

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| _____ 1. Who was arguing in the story? | a. William, their brother |
| _____ 2.. What were Cindy and Sandra arguing about? | b. Kitchen Court |
| _____ 3. What did the girls want to do instead of dishes? | c. doing dishes |
| _____ 4. Who came up with a plan to settle the argument? | d. Cindy and Sandra |
| _____ 5. What did William call the courtroom he created? | e. watch television |