## 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 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 the best and fairest decision about who should wash the dishes that evening he could.

If they agreed to the plan, Cindy and Sandra would also have to abide by the decision. Both girls approved, 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."

> Choose the correct answer and write its alphabet letter on the space in front of the appropriate question.





1. Who was arguing in the story?

a. William, their brother

\_ 2. What were Cindy and Sandra arguing about?

\_ 3. What did the girls want to do instead of dishes?

\_ 4. Who came up with a plan to settle the argument?

b. Kitchen Court

C. doing dishes

d. Cindy and Sandra

5. What did William call the courtroom he created?

e. watch television