Warm-Up: Brown v. Board of Education



"We conclude that in the area of public education the idea of "separate but equal" has no place. Separate educational services are, in reality, unequal. Therefore, the public schools in our nation are to desegregate as soon as possible."

--Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court Earl Warren

- 1. Why is the cartoonist comparing the Brown vs. the Board of Education case to an atomic explosion?
- 2. What is the Supreme Court's opinion of segregated schools?
- 3. According to the Supreme Court, when are schools supposed to be desegregated? What is wrong with this time frame?
- 4. Why do you think the Supreme Court only desegregated schools and not EVERYTHING in America all at once?