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The Mighty Federal Courts: Guardians of Justice in the Judicial Branch

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Example: Brown v. Board of Education (1954) ended racial segregation in public schools, setting a precedent for desegregation efforts and promoting civil rights.
2. Answers may include conducting a thorough review of evidence, allowing both parties to present their cases, applying relevant laws and precedents, and issuing a well-reasoned decision.
3. Answers will vary based on personal opinions. Students may emphasize the role of federal courts in upholding the Constitution and protecting individual rights as essential to democracy.
4. Example: Immigration policy reform is a current issue, and federal courts may play a role in interpreting immigration laws and protecting the rights of immigrants, which can have broad implications for national immigration policy.

