Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka / Cartoon Analysis

Directions: Analyze the cartoons in terms of their relation to the *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka* case.

Cartoon I



Source: Chronicle (San Francisco), May 18, 1954. Reproduced with permission.

- 1. What do you see in the cartoon? Make a list of the people, objects, etc.
- 2. Which of the items on the list from Question 1 are symbols? What does each stand for?
- 3. What is the artist's message in the cartoon? Is there political bias?
- 4. Who would agree with the message? Who would disagree?

Cartoon 2



Source: Democrat (Arkansas), May 22, 1954. Reproduced with permission

- 1. What do you see in the cartoon? Make a list of the people, objects, etc.
- 2. Which of the items on the list from Question 1 are symbols? What does each stand for?
- 3. What is the artist's message in the cartoon? Is there political bias?
- 4. Who would agree with the message? Who would disagree?

Cartoon 3



Source: Defender (Chicago), June 12, 1954. Reproduced with permission.

- 1. What do you see in the cartoon? Make a list of the people, objects, etc.
- 2. Which of the items on the list from Question 1 are symbols? What does each stand for?
- 3. What is the artist's message in the cartoon? Is there political bias?
- 4. Who would agree with the message? Who would disagree?

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Cartoon 4



Source: Afro-American (Richmond), May 22, 1954. Reproduced with permission.

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- 2. Which of the items on the list from Question 1 are symbols? What does each stand for?
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- 4. Who would agree with the message? Who would disagree?