Brown V. Board of Education – Vocabulary in Context Answer Key

Definitions (Sample Answers)

- 1. **Plaintiff** A person or group that brings a legal case against another in a court of law.
- 2. **Equal Protection Clause** A part of the 14th Amendment that guarantees all citizens are treated equally by the government.
- 3. **Precedent** A previous court decision that is used as an example or rule in future legal cases.
- 4. **Civil rights attorney** A lawyer who specializes in fighting for the legal rights of individuals, especially related to equality and justice.
- 5. **Unconstitutional** Not allowed by or in conflict with the U.S. Constitution.
- 6. **Turning point** A moment when a significant change occurs that affects the course of history or events.

