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## Truth Or Belief

**Directions:** Read each statement about the Dred Scott decision. Write **F** for Fact or **O** for Opinion/Bias in the blanks.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The Supreme Court ruled that African Americans were not considered U.S. citizens.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The Dred Scott decision was the worst ruling in American history.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Dred Scott lived in both free and slave territories.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The ruling increased anger in the North and pushed the nation closer to war.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The Supreme Court should have set all enslaved people free.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. The Court said Congress could not ban slavery in the territories.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. It is unfair that the Court denied Scott's right to sue.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. The decision made many Americans lose trust in the justice system.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. The case reached the Supreme Court in 1857.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Slavery was a terrible system that harmed millions of people.

**Reflection Prompt:** Pick one opinion statement and rewrite it as a **clear fact** using what you know from history.

Opinion: \_\_\_\_\_

Rewritten as fact: \_\_\_\_\_

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