

## Rights Turned Back Answer Key

Likely student responses should include:

### Before

- Some legal freedoms in certain states
- Some could vote or own property, depending on local laws
- Citizenship was uncertain but not completely denied everywhere

### After

- Declared not citizens by the Supreme Court
- Could not sue in federal court
- Treated as property, limiting any freedom they had earned

### Reflection

- The decision increased tension between North and South and made conflict over slavery more likely.

*Teacher should look for historically accurate comparisons and understanding of the ruling's major impact.*

### Teacher's Guide

- Pre-teach key terms: "citizenship," "federal law," "property," "rights."
- Allow students to discuss changes in pairs before writing responses.
- Remind students to use evidence from the chart in their explanations.

### Differentiation

- Support: Offer word banks such as "citizen," "freedom," "court," "slave," "law."
- Challenge: Ask advanced students to write a paragraph on why the ruling was controversial nationwide.