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Democracy On Trial

Directions: Choose a side below. Write a focused paragraph defending your position. Use at least two pieces of historical evidence from *Marbury v. Madison*.

Prompt: Did the Supreme Court's new power of **judicial review** strengthen or weaken democracy in the United States?

Choose one position: **Strengthened democracy** / **Weakened democracy**

Write a paragraph (6-8 sentences) that includes:

- A clear claim (your stance)
- At least two specific pieces of evidence
- An explanation of why those facts support your claim
- Strong concluding sentence

Reflection Question (1-2 sentences): How might the United States be different today if the Court did not have the power of judicial review?
