

Name

Date

D.C. Superior Court Field Trip

1. Before you visited the court, what is one court case you knew about BESIDES the Scopes Trial in *Inherit the Wind*.

2. What kind of cases did you watch at the D.C. Superior Court (list 3)

3. Describe the PROSECUTOR in one of the cases. How did he or she act? What kinds of questions did he or she ask?

4. Describe the DEFENSE ATTORNEY in one of the cases. How did he or she act? Were there any differences in the types of questions he or she asked from the PROSECUTOR?

5. How was the PROSECUTOR similar or different from Matthew Harrison Brady in the way he or she acted?

6. How was the DEFENSE ATTORNEY similar or different from Henry Drummond?

7. Choose one of the trials you observed. Explain if it seemed fair or unfair, biased or unbiased in the way the defendant was treated?

8. Were the lawyers asking any questions that you found unfair?

9. Were the people in the jury showing any kind of bias in terms of the expressions on their faces, way they acted, etc?

10. In terms of their ethnicity, age, gender, and other details, did the jury seem like a fair mix of people to represent the city and be a "jury of their peers" for the defendant?

11. Did you feel like the person on trial was guilty or not guilty?

12. What in the trial made you think he was innocent or guilty?

13. What parts of observing the trials were confusing?

14. If there was one change you think would make courtrooms MORE FAIR, what would it be?
