



GUIDED READING ACTIVITY 8-4

The Supreme Court at Work



Copy the vocabulary words into a list or chart before you read. Then fill in a definition for each one as you find it in the text.

Directions: Answer the questions below in the space provided. Use the information in your textbook to answer the questions.

1. Specifying When does the Supreme Court hear cases?

2. Summarizing How is a court case added to the Supreme Court's docket?

3. Sequencing What are the five steps through which a case passes in the Supreme Court?

4. Explaining What are dissenting opinions and concurring opinions?

5. Defining What is the meaning of *stare decisis*?

6. Identifying How does the Supreme Court adapt laws for the changing times?

7. Specifying What Supreme Court case made segregation legal, and what case overturned that precedent?

