Dred Scott Body Biography Activity

Create a drawing of a human body on chart paper. Working with your partner, complete the following.

On each part of the body, explain the following:

HANDS: What does Dred Scott hold in his hands? These items are

associated with Scott can be either literal or figurative.

EYES: How does the Dred Scott see the world?

QUOTATIONS: Near Dred Scott's head, place at least 3 "direct quotations" that

could realistically sum up the philosophy of Scott and

contribute to the overall understanding of him.

HEART: What is in Dred Scott's heart? Where should the heart be

placed to best represent what he loves the most? What should it look like and what shape color, pictures or symbols should

be included?

FEET: On what foundation does Dred Scott stand? This should be a

symbolic representation of Scott's most fundamental beliefs

about life.

SPINE: What does Dred Scott want most? This should be represented

in a way that visually conveys what motivates him.

BACKGROUND: For the background, draw/depict elements that suggest

influences from Dred Scott's environment or background.

ARMS: What would have been Dred Scott's strengths? Think about

ways he may have managed to survive as a slave.

VIRTUES

& VICES: What were Dred Scott's most admirable qualities? What were

his worst? Make these qualities visual to the "reader."

VISUAL

SYMBOLS: What symbols represent Dred Scott? How do the symbols

illustrate the essence of who he was? What objects can you

associate with Dred Scott? Avoid clichés.