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I. Who are these people? Write G for *good guy* or B for *bad guy*

1. judge:
2. convict:
3. arsonist:
4. detective:
5. vandal:
6. guard:

II. Read the article and information. Choose the correct answer to each question.

LITTLEDEAN JAIL

Littledean, Nr. Cinderford,

Royal Forest of Dean,

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Known as the 'Alcatraz of the Forest' due to its location in the Forest of Dean, Littledean Jail is now home to a unique museum of crime.

History & mystery

When it was originally built in 1791, Littledean was the most up-to-date prison of its time. In 1854 the jail became a police station and from 1874 it also served as a courthouse. The police station was closed in 1972 and the last court session was held there in 1985. The following year it was sold to an insurance company. Then, in 2003, the jail was bought by its present owners, who had it turned into their home and a museum to house one of the world's largest private collections of crime memorabilia.



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Littledean Jail has the reputation of being one of Britain's most haunted buildings. Since it opened, the jail has attracted the interest of many ghost hunters and investigators of the paranormal who have witnessed some very unusual events. On one occasion, museum exhibits started shaking, lights began flickering, and then there was a complete loss of power. Some people say they have actually seen ghosts there!

What to see at the jail

• The largest private collection in the UK of British and foreign police items and equipment, including police weapons and uniforms

• Exhibits on well-known crime characters from books, television and cinema

• A model of Littledean Jail that has been created from 56,000 matches!

Places to stay, eat and visit nearby

The Forest of Dean: an area of great natural beauty with lots to see and do and a range of accommodation to suit every pocket. In the forest, not only can you see the beautiful scenery, but you can also visit the local butterfly museum or enjoy a meal in one of the wide variety of restaurants in the area. For the more active visitor, there are walking tours, caving, bike riding–you can even go fishing or play golf.

Littledean Hall: This is a grand house which dates back at least 400 years and, like the jail, is said to be haunted. In fact, it's thought of as one of the most haunted houses in England! People have reported seeing ghosts in the house and grounds. One of the scariest parts of the house is the blue bedroom. Legend has it that two brothers killed each other in a swordfight over a lady, and visitors have reported hearing the sound of a swordfight, as well as numerous sightings of a lady in white.

Admission prices

Adults £7

Pensioners £5.95

Children (8–16) £4.95; under 8s free

Family £21

If you're 100 years young or over, then admission is FREE!



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Opening times

Open from Easter to the end of October:

Thursdays to Sundays & Bank Holiday Mondays

Day visits from 10 am to 5 pm (last entry 3.45 pm)

Occasionally special tours and evening visits for groups of 20 or more can be arranged, but only by kind permission of The Jailer. (He's only a little scary!) Visits from schools and colleges are also welcome, but students must be under strict supervision, as The Jailer has been known to lock troublemakers in the spare cells!

How to get there (and escape!) & parking facilities

The jail is just 20 minutes from Gloucester and 45 minutes from Bristol by road. Cross the Severn Bridge at Chepstow and then head down the A48 to get there.

Cars can be parked at the entrance to the jail while coaches can drop off passengers at the special bus stops. These are situated approximately 80 metres from the entrance to the jail on either side of the road.

1. **What is Littledean Jail used for now?**
   A. a jail and a police station
   B. a family home and a museum
   C. a court house and a jail
   D. a police station and a family home
2. **When can you visit Littledean Jail?**
   A. on some Mondays
   B. every Tuesday
   C. all day Wednesday
   D. Fridays throughout the year
3. **What can't be seen at Littledean Jail?**



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A. a swordfight

B. a model of the jail

C. uniforms

D. weapons

4. What should a large group do to visit the jail at night?

A. speak to The Jailer

B. arrive before 3.45 pm

C. get there in the morning

D. have supervision

5. Where can cars park?

A. 80 metres from the entrance of the jail

B. outside the entrance

C. on the Severn Bridge

D. at the special bus stops

6. What can't you do in the Forest of Dean?

A. eat a meal

B. find a place to stay

C. visit a museum

D. see a ghost

7. What is said to have happened in the blue bedroom?

A. two brothers had a fight

B. two brothers killed a lady

C. a lady dressed in white died there

D. a couple killed the man's brother



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8. **Who would be most interested in visiting the old jail and the hall?**

   A. criminals

   B. sports enthusiasts

   C. young children

   D. people who believe in ghosts

III. Complete the sentences with the correct word(s)

jail	court house	investigator	supervision	weapon	reputation

1. The opinion that people have about you, which is based on your past actions or character, is known as your_____ .
2. A(n) _____ is a place where those who have committed a crime are sent for punishment.
3. A(n) _____ is something that is used to physically hurt another person.
4. When someone watches a person and makes sure that everything they do is correct or safe, that is known as _____.
5. The place where criminal cases are dealt with and people are found to be guilty or innocent is a(n) _____ .
6. A(n) _____ is like a detective; he or she tries to find out who is guilty of a crime.

IV. Choose the word in each question that does not belong.

1. prosecution : defence : theft



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2. rob : murder : steal
3. sentence : alibi : excuse
4. verdict : complaint : decision
5. try : find guilty : convict
6. burglar : pickpocket : detective
7. lawyer : judge : defendant
8. evidence : court : proof

V. Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. If you break / commit a crime, be prepared to suffer the consequences.
2. The judge ordered the defendant to pass / serve a sentence of no less than ten years.
3. Large stores often employ security guards to prevent shoplifting / graffiti.
4. I'm innocent! What motive / clue would I have for breaking into my own house?
5. We feel safer knowing that there are police officers on foot, guarding / patrolling the streets of our town.
6. Billy has to do ten weeks' community / social service to pay for his crime.

VI. Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

handcuffs	scene	witness	case	trial	release



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1. According to the news, his _____ from prison is scheduled for next Tuesday.
2. An eye-_____ has been found who will appear in court.
3. The crime _____ was sealed off by police officers.
4. This _____ was the shortest I've ever attended; it was over in two days.
5. Somehow, the suspect managed to slip out of his _____ and escape.
6. This is the most difficult _____ I've ever had to deal with, but I think we'll win when it goes to court.



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