

# VOCABULARY - CRIME AND YOUTH COURTS

## POLICE REPORT

Case No: 32WA Date: Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April

Reporting officer: PC Andy Williams

Incident: the **murder** of a security guard and attack on a shop owner in a violent robbery at Jackson's Jeweller's. The murder victim died when he tried to stop the robbery. The second **victim** survived the attack but has a head **injury**.

Action: Forensic officers have entered the **crime scene** to collect **evidence**. Interviews with the **witness** and shop owner took place outside the crime scene.

**Weapon(s)**: a baseball bat.

Possible **motive**: to get jewellery and sell it.

Evidence collected at the crime scene to identify the **suspect**: **fingerprints** and a **sample** of the robber's hair.

### Warm-up

#### Vocabulary

i Vocabulary presentation

1 Look at the crime scene and read the police report. Match eight of the highlighted words in the report to the labels in the picture.

2 What do the five highlighted words that you haven't used mean? Use them in a sentence.

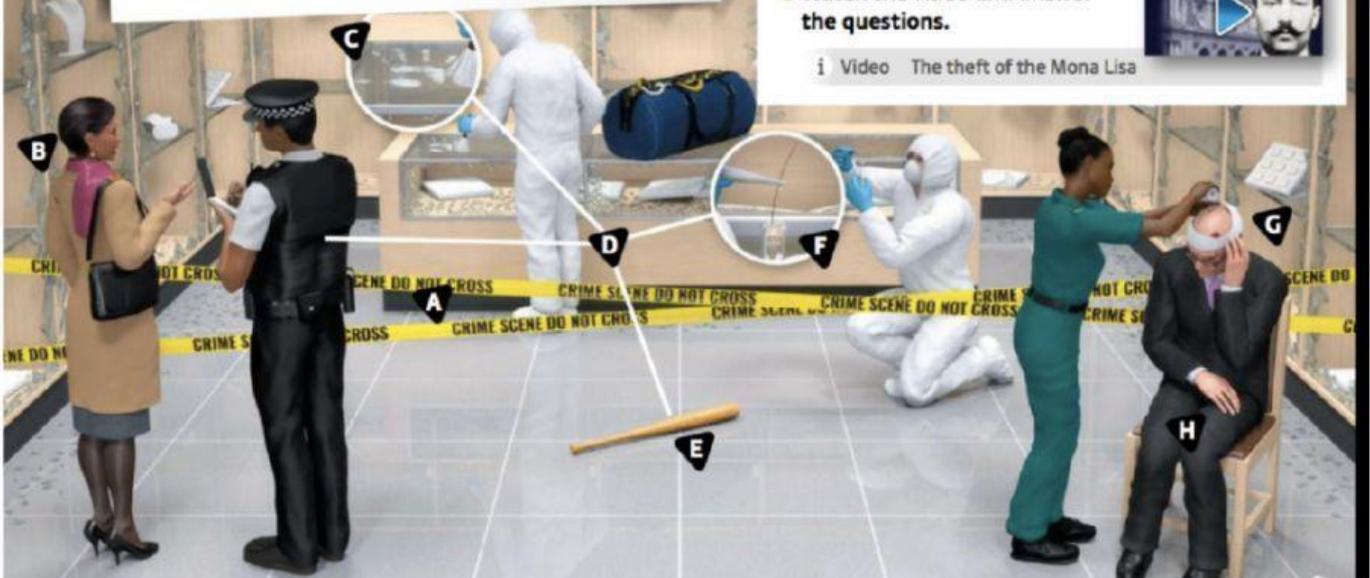
3 What do you think happens when the police arrive at a crime scene? Describe what they do to solve a crime, using some of the highlighted words.

i Vocabulary practice

4 Watch the video and answer the questions.



i Video The theft of the Mona Lisa



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crime scene

witness

fingerprints

evidence

weapon

sample

injury

victim

## 2 Match the words to the definitions.

1	witness	<input type="text"/>	A	small amount of something
2	sample	<input type="text"/>	B	someone who sees a crime happen
3	suspect	<input type="text"/>	C	an object used to hurt someone
4	murder	<input type="text"/>	D	someone who is affected by a crime
5	weapon	<input type="text"/>	E	someone who the police think is guilty
6	victim	<input type="text"/>	F	when someone kills someone else
7	motive	<input type="text"/>	G	a hurt on someone's body
8	evidence	<input type="text"/>	H	the place where a crime happened
9	case	<input type="text"/>	I	a reason for doing something
10	fingerprints	<input type="text"/>	J	a mark made by someone's fingers
11	crime scene	<input type="text"/>	K	facts that show someone did something

## 3 \* Match 1–6 to A–F.

- 1 Detectives have to find evidence that .....
- 2 A victim can have physical injuries .....
- 3 If there's a murder, .....
- 4 When detectives work on a case, .....
- 5 The weapon can be anything: .....
- 6 If they have a suspect, .....

- A the police need to find the body.  
B a knife, a gun or a baseball bat.  
C someone committed a crime.  
D they try to find who is responsible for a crime.  
E the police will ask them lots of questions.  
F for example, a broken arm or leg.

**4 \*\* Replace the underlined words with the correct word.**

crime scene fingerprint motive sample victim witness

- 1 What was the criminal's reason for doing it?
- 2 Chewing gum was found at the place where the incident happened.
- 3 There was part of a mark made by part of the hand on the shop window.
- 4 Jenny was the person who suffered of a crime last week.
- 5 The police are searching for people who saw what happened.
- 6 We need to take a small piece of your hair.

**5 \*\*\* Complete the text with the correct words from exercises 1 and 2.**

Police in Grimley are warning local residents to be vigilant after a series of crimes in the area. 'We've seen a big increase in crime over the last few days,' said one young police officer from the local police station. 'We think the crimes are the work of one person, and we have a (1) .....

The thief broke into a house on Jackson Street on Friday morning and stole a laptop and some gold jewellery. He or she left some (2) ..... on the front door and in the house. He or she also left some more (3) ..... in the back garden: a footprint and a shop receipt. Detectives are still at the (4) ..... today.

In the afternoon, a family in Winston Street were watching TV when they heard a noise. they looked out of the window and their car wasn't there. The police are asking for (5) ....., so if you saw what happened, please contact the police station and ask to talk to Detective French about (6) ..... number 7872B.