

burgle (v): to get into a building illegally and steal things

e.g. My house was **burgled** while I was away on holiday.



flee (v): to run away; to escape
e.g. The armed robber had **fled** the scene of the crime before the police arrived.



hostage (n): sb who has been captured by a person or an organisation and may be killed if their demands are not satisfied

e.g. A journalist was held **hostage** by terrorists for ransom.



hurt (v): to cause physical pain; injure

e.g. Ann was seriously **hurt** by a mugger on her way home.



pay (v): to give money to sb because you want to buy sth or because you owe them; to compensate

e.g. Vandals have to **pay** for the damage they caused to the private property.



steal (v): to secretly take sth that does not belong to you and without the intention of returning it

e.g. I had my wallet **stolen** on the bus.



5 Crime



Breaking the law

1 Complete the newspaper headlines. Use: **CHECK**

hostage

pay

burgled

flees

hurt

steals

A

GUNMAN 1) _____
WITH CASH FROM BANK

B

GANG 2) _____ PICASSO
PAINTING FROM MUSEUM

C

ACTRESS'S
HOUSE 3) _____

D

PENSIONER
SERIOUSLY 4) _____ IN
PARK FOR £14.00

E

TERRORIST GROUP
TAKES MILLIONAIRE'S
SON 5) _____

F

PARENTS HAVE TO
6) _____
FOR SCHOOL
GRAFFITI

5

Crime



1 Now, match the newspaper headlines to the crime each is about. **CHECK**

- 1 *mugging*
- 2 *burglary*
- 3 *vandalism*
- 4 *robbery*
- 5 *theft*
- 6 *kidnapping*

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2 Complete the extracts below. **CHECK**

A

caught escaped
broke stole

A 19-year-old student from Texas

1) _____ into a house
in Stanford last Tuesday. He

2) _____ two diamond
necklaces and 3) _____
without being 4) _____.

B

broken masked
showed missing

Works of art were stolen from the Museum
of Modern Art last Friday. The paintings were
discovered 1) _____ around 6:30 am.

Museum officials found a 2) _____
window and surveillance cameras
3) _____ two 4) _____ men
entering the museum.

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2 Which of the newspaper headlines on the right does each match? **CHECK**

A matches headline

A 19-year-old student from Texas broke into a house in Stanford last Tuesday. He stole two diamond necklaces and escaped without being caught.

B matches headline

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