



Crime Worksheet: Grade 11

Topic: White–Collar Crime **Name**

Surname: _____

Video Source: The Economist. “Why white–collar crime is so dangerous.” YouTube.

<https://youtu.be/zBodqwAIW3A>

Instructions: Watch the video carefully and complete the following tasks.

Task 1: Multiple Choice (Single Correct Answer)

Based on the video, choose the best answer for the following questions.

1. What is the main argument presented in the video about white–collar crime?
 - a) It is less harmful because it is non–violent.
 - b) It is more dangerous than street crime because of its scale and impact.
 - c) It is easier to prosecute than other types of crime.
 - d) It only affects wealthy investors.

2. According to the video, what is a common misconception about white–collar crime?

- a) That it is committed by intelligent people.
- b) That it is a victimless crime.
- c) That it is difficult to detect.
- d) That it involves complex financial systems.

3. The video suggests that the 2008 financial crisis is an example of:

- a) A series of unfortunate accidents.
- b) A successful government intervention.
- c) The catastrophic consequences of white–collar crime.
- d) A problem caused solely by street crime.



Task 2: Multiple Choice (Multiple Correct Answers)

Select all answers that are correct according to the video. There may be more than one.

4. Which of the following are mentioned as negative consequences of white-collar crime?

- A direct increase in physical assault rates.
- Erosion of public trust in financial institutions.
- Widespread economic damage affecting millions of people.
- Loss of life savings for ordinary citizens.
- A significant decrease in government tax revenue.

5. The video implies that white-collar criminals are often treated more leniently than street criminals because:

- Their crimes are considered to have no real victims.
- They can afford better legal representation.
- The crimes are too complex for juries to understand.
- Society perceives their crimes as less “morally repugnant.”

Task 3: Drag and Drop (Fill in the Blanks)

Drag and drop the words below into the correct blanks in the summary paragraph.

Word Bank: perception, scale, prosecuted, dangerous, trust, violent

Summary: The video challenges the common (1) _____ that white-collar crime is a harmless, non-(2) _____ activity. It argues that due to its massive (3) _____, it can be more (4) _____ than typical street crime, causing immense financial harm and eroding public (5) _____ in the system. Despite this, the perpetrators are often less severely (6) _____.

Task 4: Matching

Match the term from the video with its correct definition or description.

Term	Description
1. White-collar crime	A. A severe economic downturn cited as an example of the consequences of financial misconduct.
2. Street crime	B. Crimes like fraud, embezzlement, and insider trading committed by professionals.
3. The 2008 financial crisis	C. The idea that these crimes are less serious because they lack physical violence.
4. “Victimless crime” misconception	D. Crimes such as robbery or assault, which are often punished more harshly.

Task 5: Choose the Correct Word/Phrase

Complete the sentences by selecting the most appropriate word or phrase based on the video's content.

1. The video emphasizes that the impact of a major fraud can be *localized / systemic / minimal*, affecting entire economies.
2. A key difference highlighted is that while a robbery has an immediate, visible victim, a large-scale fraud's victims are often *anonymous and numerous / other criminals / easily compensated*.

Task 6: Short Answer

Provide a concise answer in your own words.

8. In one or two sentences, explain why the video argues it is a problem that white-collar crime is not seen as "morally repugnant" as violent crime.

Task 7: Open-ended Question

Provide a thoughtful, paragraph-length response.

9. The video suggests that strong punishment for white-collar crime is necessary not just for justice, but as a deterrent. Do you agree? What other measures, besides punishment, could society implement to reduce white-collar crime? Explain your reasoning.

