

You have watched a documentary about what causes young people to start committing crimes. You have made the notes below.

Reasons why young people commit crimes

- lack of control by parents
- absence of opportunities in life
- influence of friends

Some opinions expressed in the documentary:

'Without firm discipline from parents, some children are likely to get into trouble.'

'It's not surprising that young people who feel they have no chance of a good life turn to crime.'

'The bad influence of people they mix with can cause some young people to take up crime.'

Write an **essay** for your tutor discussing **two** of the reasons in your notes. You should **explain which cause you think is the most important** for young people committing crimes and **provide reasons** to support your opinion.