Crime Stories

Topic vocabulary

1.

a) Find the words in bold into the dictionary. What do these words mean?
Attend:
Theft:
Enter:
Jewellery:
Valuable:

b)Complete the sentences with the words and phrases below.

Prevent / suspects / thieves / robbery / patrol / safe

Thefts at Cannes Film Festival

When glamorous celebrities **attend** the annual Cannes film festival, police and security _____ the streets and hotels. However, at the 2013 festival, that wasn't enough to _____ two major **thefts**. In the first theft, _____ **entered** a hotel room and stole an entire _____ full of **jewellery**. In the second _____ a **valuable** necklace was stolen. So far, the police haven´t arrested any _____.

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2. Match A to B to form sentences. Pay attention to the words in **bold.**

1. The **robber** was **masked**, so I couldn't see his…
2. We have got a **burglar alarm** in our…
3. They found no **evidence** of a…
4. Stop those boys! They **grabbed** my…
5. He **attacked** someone with a…

B
____ a) wallet
____ b) face
____ c) knife
____ d) car
____ e) crime

3. Choose the sentence that best follows each first sentence. Pay attention to the words in **bold.**

1. The **witness** spoke to the police
   a) She needed information in order to write her newspaper article.
   b) She explained how she robbed the bank.
   c) She described what she saw.

2. You **broke the law**, sir.
   a) Thank you. Now people will drive more slowly on this road.
   b) You were driving much too fast.
   c) I think we need more laws like this one.

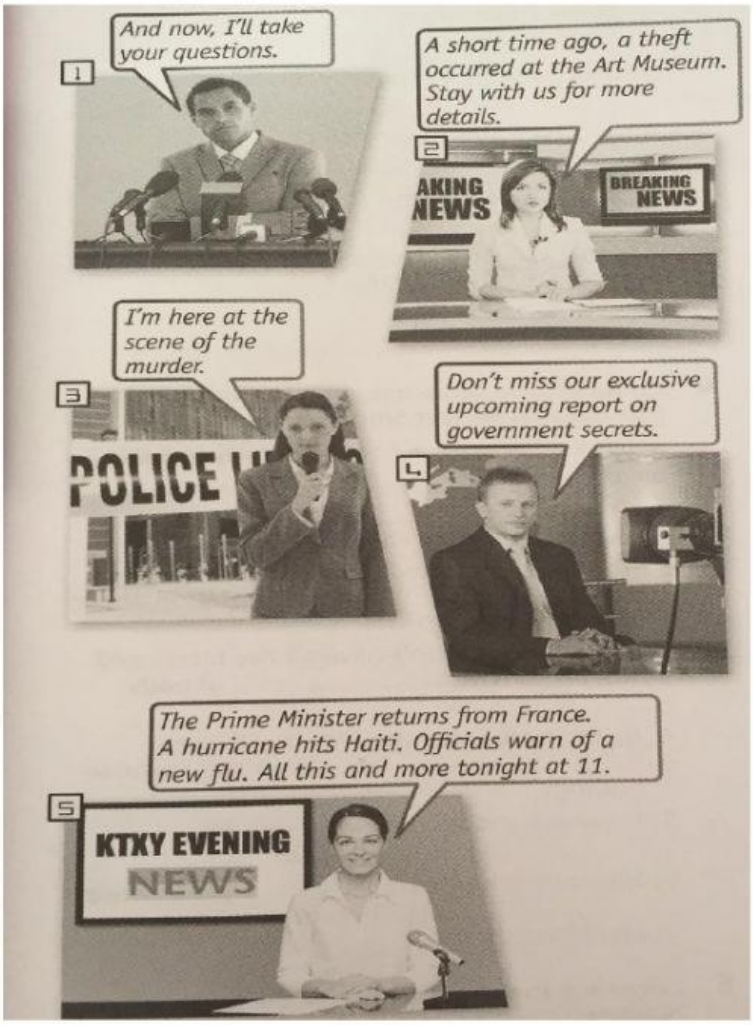
3. I set my alarm to **go off** at 7.00 tomorrow.
   a) That way, it won't wake me up.
   b) I hope I'll hear it.
   c) It will start at 6.50.

4. He **got away.**
   a) He ran faster than the police.
   b) He's in prison now.
   c) The police are interviewing him now.

5. I bought a new lock for my door.
   a) It makes a loud noise.
   b) I can carry more things on it now.
   c) It will make it harder for **thieves** to **break in**.

4. Read the speech bubbles and then match each photo to the words and phrases below.

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____ a) breaking news

____ b) scoop

____ c) live broadcast

____ d) holding a press conference

____ e) news bulletin

5. Complete the sentences with the words below. Pay attention to the words in **bold.**

Published / cover the news / front page / tabloid / news resources

1. Reporters _____.
2. The headlines on the _____ of a _____ are often about celebrity gossip or strange or untrue things.
3. The *New York Times*, a respected American daily newspaper, has been _____ since 1851.
4. You have to be careful about what you read in the press. Not all _____ are reliable.

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6. A) Find the words in bold in the dictionary. What do these words mean?
   Neighbourhood:
   Quick:
   On foot:
   To have left outside:
   To appear:
   Hit:
   To raise:
   Shelter:
   Advert:
   Pants:

   B)Complete the text with the words and phrases below.

Skilful / evidence / thief / headlines / the press / locks / grabs / gets away

A Real Cat Burglar

This _____ works only at night and in one **neighbourhood** in Luton, England. He's **quick**, _____ and always _____ **on foot**. He doesn't break _____ or windows to get into people's homes, and never steals money or computers. Instead, he _____ things people **have left outside** , including clothing, shoes and small toys. And every day, he brings the _____ of his crimes home. He's a cat named Denis, and he's quite a celebrity now. The public and _____ love him. He's been in the_____ of British newspapers, **appeared** on BBC television and videos of him bringing things home are **hits** on YouTube. Denis' popularity is helping to **raise** money for a local cat **shelter**, too, from **adverts** on YouTube and sales of T-shirts that say "Denis stole my **pants**".

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