Vocabulary in context

Crimes

1 ☆ **Choose the correct alternative.**

1 There was a *murder/burglary* at the house next door yesterday, but they didn't take much.
2 Be careful when you open messages from people you don't know. *Cybercrime/Vandalism* is a real danger these days.
3 There are a lot of police at this port because *smuggling/shoplifting* often happens here.
4 Look at the news! There was a bank *kidnapping/robbery* in town last night!
5 Don't go out alone in this area at night. *Muggings/Arsons* are a real problem around here.
6 The police think that the fire at the mansion was a case of *cybercrime/arson*.

Detective work

4 ☆☆ **Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box.**

analysed · charged · investigated · proved · questioned · searched for

1 Detective Parker ..... evidence and, when she found it, she ..... it.
2 The police ..... 20 cases of robbery last week.
3 They ..... the suspect and then they ..... him.
4 The man ..... his innocence, so he was free to go.

5 ☆☆☆ **Complete the news stories with the correct words.**

CRIME NEWS

Police are investigating a **(a)** ..... of arson at Manor Flats in Malbury. If you saw anything, please contact them. They want to speak to all **(b)** .....

After police questioned Joe Lyons of 16, Moncar Avenue, they **(c)** ..... him and **(d)** ..... him with burglary. Lyons is now in prison. He protests that he is innocent and says that he can **(e)** ..... it.

Police confirm that the actor Marsha Noble is not a **(f)** ..... in a case of diamond smuggling. Ms Noble says the media **(g)** ..... her without evidence.

☆☆☆ **Complete the sentences with a word describing a crime or a criminal.**

1 Did you hear about the ..... who tried to steal 100 cans of cola from the supermarket?
2 The cause of many forest fires is .....
3 ..... attacked a senior citizen in the street last night.
4 When a ..... takes places in your house, it's important to tell the police.
5 Last night, police arrested ..... at the port. They had 20kg of gold in their van.
6 There's something wrong with my computer. Do you think a ..... is controlling it?

Vocabulary extension ☆☆☆

6 **Write the verbs from the nouns. Use a dictionary if necessary.**

1	robbery	.....
2	vandalism	.....
3	murder	.....
4	hacker	.....
5	mugging	.....
6	kidnapping	.....
7	smuggling	.....
8	burglary	.....
9	witness	.....
10	suspect	.....

LIVEWORKSHEETS