



Types of crimes

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Task 1.Give the Russian for (use a dictionary):

English	Russian
misconduct forbidden	
murder	
drugs	
appearing nude	
robbing	
a legal standpoint	
harmful	
rape	
an offence	
a violation	

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Task 2. Read and translate the text

What is a Crime?

Crime is a term that refers to misconduct forbidden by law. Murder – also called homicide – is a crime in all countries. Other crimes include stealing a car, resisting arrest, possessing or selling illegal drugs, appearing nude on public street, driving while under the influence of alcohol, and robbing a bank.

The list of acts considered crimes is constantly changing. Today, it is becoming a serious crime to pollute the air and water. Pollution caused few problems and received little attention in preindustrial times.

From a legal standpoint, a crime is a violation of the criminal law. Such law deals with actions considered harmful to society. On the other hand, most harmful acts causing injury to another person are violations of the civil law. Some overlapping occurs in this classification. For example, murder and rape are committed against individuals, but the law considers them crimes because they threaten society. For this reason, a crime is regarded as an offence against the state.

An act is viewed as a crime if enough evidence exists to make a police officer, a prosecutor, or a judge believe that a violation of criminal law has taken place.

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Task 3. *Fill in the gaps:*

1) _____ is a term that refers to misconduct forbidden by law.

2) _____ caused few problems and received little attention in preindustrial times.

3) Most harmful acts causing injury to another person are violations of the _____

4) A crime is regarded as an offence against _____

5) A judge believe that a violation of criminal law has taken place if _____ exists.

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Task 4 . Answer the questions (2-3 sentences)

Do you feel safe walking around at night?

What are the main crimes that take place where you live?

What do you think about the death penalty?

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