

Crime and Punishment

Building your vocabulary



An offence (GB) an offense (US) = ► an illegal act SYNONYM **crime**

- *a criminal/serious/minor/sexual offence*
- *a drug/firearms/traffic offence*
- *a first offence* (= the first time that somebody has been found guilty of a crime)

A misdeameanour (GB) a misdemeanor (US) = ► an action that is bad or unacceptable, but not very serious

- *youthful misdemeanours*

Read the following words carefully and use a dictionary when necessary :

arson	bribery	burglary	drink driving	drug	dealing
	drug possession		fraud	hacking	kidnapping
manslaughter	murder	pick pocketing	robbery	shoplifting	
terrorism					

1) Now read the sentences below and put the correct word into the correct gap.
Note that only eight words are needed.

1. A person may be charged with if they cause someone's death through recklessness or negligence.

2. Engaging in can have serious consequences, including accidents, injuries, and fatalities.
3. Someone who commits may be motivated by a desire to cause harm or destruction.
4. Possessing drugs is illegal, if caught, a person may be charged with
5. Many people take steps to secure their homes and businesses to protect themselves against
6. Some people use as a way to get ahead, but it is a dishonest and illegal behaviour.
7. The crime of is particularly traumatic for the victim and their family.
8. In some countries, is a common occurrence in the political and business worlds.



2) Match the English word with its French translation :

Arson ●	● Le vol à l'étalage
Robbery ●	● L'incendie volontaire
Shoplifting ●	● Le cambriolage
Fraud ●	● L'homicide involontaire
Manslaughter ●	● La conduite en état d'ivresse
Bribery ●	● La fraude
Burglary ●	● La corruption
drink driving ●	● Le hold up

