

### VOCABULARY

Criminals | Crime collocations |  
Crimes | Solving crimes |  
The law | Negative prefixes |  
Investigating crimes

### GRAMMAR

Present and Past Simple  
Passive | Defining and  
non-defining relative  
clauses

### COMMUNICATION

Keeping a conversation  
going | An opinion essay

## Vocabulary

### Crime and law

#### 1 ● Complete the words in the sentences.

- 1 A thief took a lot of expensive jewellery from my grandfather's shop.
- 2 There aren't many vandals in my city, but someone broke this window last night.
- 3 I saw a pickpocket on the bus. She tried to take a man's wallet.
- 4 What would you do if you saw a shoplifter put something in their bag without paying?
- 5 I'd be scared if I found a burglar in my house.
- 6 I like watching movies about bank robbers.

#### 2 ● WORD FRIENDS Choose the correct option.

- 1 steal / solve things from a shop
- 2 solve / break into homes
- 3 solve / steal crimes
- 4 commit / rob a crime
- 5 rob / steal a bank
- 6 commit / damage buildings
- 7 damage / break the law

#### 3 ● Choose the correct answer.

- 1 The thief tried to take my wallet, but he fell over and dropped it.  
a vandal      b pickpocket      c burglar
- 2 The film is about a woman who robbed a bank and never got caught!  
a stole      b broke      c robbed
- 3 She's famous for solving very difficult crimes.  
a solving      b damaging      c stealing
- 4 He didn't know he was breaking the law when he crossed the road on a red light.  
a thief      b crime      c law
- 5 Last night, some vandals destroyed the plants outside my house.  
a pickpockets      b vandals      c thieves
- 6 A burglar broke into my grandfather's house and took his computer.  
a to      b into      c up

#### 4 ● Choose the correct option.

- 1 The police finally caught the burglars / burglaries.
- 2 We're lucky because there isn't much vandalism / vandals in this town.
- 3 The bank robbers / robberies got away with over £500,000.
- 4 Is it shoplifting / shoplifters if you try on a coat, but forget to pay when you leave the shop?
- 5 A pickpocket / pickpocketing stole my phone.
- 6 She is very upset by the theft / thief of her car.

#### 5 ● Match the sentence halves.

- 1 d She had to pay a £300
  - 2 ☐ The bank has offered a
  - 3 ☐ My mother works
  - 4 ☐ They didn't send him to
  - 5 ☐ What would be a suitable
  - 6 ☐ You will need a good
  - 7 ☐ My uncle has to go to
  - 8 ☐ What is the typical sentence
- a reward of £10,000 for information about the crime.  
b punishment for this crime?  
c court tomorrow. He saw a burglary.  
d ~~fine for shoplifting.~~  
e lawyer to help you.  
f prison because he was too young.  
g as a judge. It's a difficult job.  
h for shoplifting in your country?

**6 ● Order the letters and complete the words in the sentences.**

- The burglar left one *fingerprint* (reninfipgrt) on the window.
- There are \_\_\_\_\_ (resicuty) cameras all over the city.
- They are going to interview the \_\_\_\_\_ (scesput) now.
- It's a very difficult \_\_\_\_\_ (sace) to solve.
- It takes a lot of training to become a \_\_\_\_\_ (vitedtece).
- How would you feel if you were a \_\_\_\_\_ (senwits) to a serious crime?

**7 ●● Complete the sentences with these words. There is one extra word.**

court fine judge lawyer ~~prison~~ punishment reward

- Matt spent fifteen years in *prison* for his crimes.
- Everyone in \_\_\_\_\_ was shocked by the details of this terrible crime.
- He will receive a harsh \_\_\_\_\_ for this crime.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ decides how long someone should spend in prison.
- You often pay a \_\_\_\_\_ for crimes like driving faster than the speed limit allows.
- Jen got a £50 \_\_\_\_\_ for taking the missing bag to the police station.

**8 ●●● Read the texts and choose the correct answer.**

- a robbing    **b** damaging    c stealing    d committing
- a burglar    b burglary    c vandal    d vandalism
- a prison    b fine    c reward    d judge
- a punishment    b law    c court    d reward
- a shoplifters    b vandals    c thieves    d pickpockets
- a robbed    b broke    c stole    d committed
- a lawyers    b robbers    c witnesses    d thieves
- a clues    b cases    c fines    d fingerprints
- a punishment    b fine    c reward    d sentence
- a shoplifter    b vandal    c pickpocket    d burglar
- a commit    b break    c solve    d damage
- a judge    b law    c fine    d court



# The Westbury Times

## THEY NEED TO LEARN A LESSON!

Two teenagers were arrested for <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ their school building yesterday. The two boys broke windows in the building and sprayed paint on the walls. The police said <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of this kind was very serious. The teenagers are too young to go to <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, but the police hope the <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ they receive will be strong enough to teach them a lesson.

## INFORMATION NEEDED

The police are asking for help from the public after <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ got away with two valuable paintings. The criminals <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ into the town's art gallery last night. There were no <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, but the police hope the gallery's security cameras will give them some <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. The art gallery is offering a <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of £10,000 for the safe return of the two paintings.

## BRAVE GRANDMOTHER CATCHES A CRIMINAL

Sixty-two-year-old grandmother Beryl Bridges was shocked when she saw a <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ stealing someone's wallet near the station on Saturday. She chased after the man and caught him when he tripped and fell. 'It makes me really angry when people <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ crimes,' Beryl said. 'They shouldn't get away with it!' The man will appear in <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow.