

VOCABULARY: UNIT 5

LAW AND ORDER

1) Match the definitions in A to a suitable word in B. There are more words than you need.
Drag the numbers.

A

- 1 a crime involving stealing things from supermarkets, newsagents, etc
- 2 a place where a judge or jury decides whether someone is guilty or not
- 3 an event at which a judge or jury decides whether someone is guilty or not
- 4 to punish someone for doing wrong
- 5 a crime involving breaking into somewhere like a bank and stealing from it
- 6 to do something with great care and attention

B

- a fine
- b thoroughly
- c shoplifting
- d trial
- e gambling
- f robbery
- g breed
- h court

2) Choose the correct answer

- 1 A police officer's duty is to **enforce** / **comply** / **defy** the law.
- 2 Let's form a **pool** / **reward** / **cell** of ideas and come up with a solution.
- 3 The government should **enforce** / **outlaw** / **bypass** online gambling because it can be very harmful.
- 4 The new king agreed to **repeal** / **fine** / **convict** the law which had prevented women from driving.
- 5 The **trial** / **court** / **offender** lasted for over a week.

3) Complete the sentences with the CORRECT FORM of the words below.

Choose from the words in the box.

guilt ■ defy ■ forbid ■ prevent ■ encourage ■ thief

- 1 They had to let her go because she was obviously not .
- 2 You can't chew gum in Singapore. It's .
- 3 Jake was convicted of and sentenced to two years in prison.
- 4 The police should concentrate on crime , not just catching criminals after they commit a crime.
- 5 Young offenders should be given more to go straight and leave their lives of crime behind.
- 6 The criminal looked until the judge sentenced him to 30 years in prison.

guilty
forbidden
theft
prevention
encouragement
defiant

4) Complete the text with the words or phrases below. There are more words than you need.

get into trouble reward charged with go straight convicted
offenders cells concerned theft term behind bars

When ¹ break the law and are caught, they expect to be punished. Depending on the seriousness of the crime that they have been ², this punishment may mean that they have to spend time ³ But, once their prison time has finished and they are allowed to leave their ⁴ and return to the outside world, it's vital that they're given help to ⁵ and become valuable members of society.

One way to do this is to help them find work, but this isn't always easy. When employers find out that an applicant has been ⁶ of a crime, they're often ⁷ that the potential employee will ⁸ again. That's why, a few years ago, the government decided to give a ⁹ to employers who offer work to ex-criminals and keep them for at least two years by giving them £5,600 for each one taken on. It's a policy which is really making a difference.

5) Complete these sentences with an appropriate verb

- 1 I'm worried that Harry will into trouble if he hangs around with those people.
- 2 The prisoner promised that he would straight if he were released.
- 3 The judge the offender off the hook and just fined him £50.
- 4 You should the plan through again. I'm not sure it's going to work.
- 5 Don't feel sorry for him. He committed many crimes and now he has to his debt to society.
- 6 I'm exhausted. I'm going to in and get a good night's sleep.

6) Complete the gaps with the correct forms of the words below. Should from the words below the activity.

defy ■ encourage ■ restrict ■ prevent ■ comply ■ forbid

- 1 There are many for visitors to prisons.
- 2 Any of the regime would have serious consequences.
- 3 We had hoped for a higher rate of with the new law, but many people are simply ignoring it.
- 4 Most house break-ins are easily , but people have to be more careful about locking windows and doors.
- 5 The fall in the crime rate is , but it would be good to see it fall even further.

defiance / restrictions / compliance / preventable / encouraging

7) Complete the pairs of sentences with one phrasal verb. Sometimes the verb forms may be different in the two sentences.

- 1 a Next time you're in the country, you should me .
- b If you aren't sure of the meaning of a word, it in the dictionary.
- 2 a Hey! What's in there?
- b I'm sorry, but I can't . Leave me here.
- 3 a I can't believe my mum has my books to a library.
- b The robber his plans when he left a detailed diagram of the bank on the bus.
- 4 a When they got to the prison, they were told to their clothes.
- b The plane is due to at 8.15, but it will probably be late.

8) Complete the text with the words below.

cell trial court criminal inmates
thoroughly guilty crime offender bars

What is life like behind ¹.....? Do you have any idea what a prison ²..... looks like? What do ³..... in prisons do all day? What happens to a suspect from the time they're arrested until they're taken to ⁴.....? What happens to the ⁵..... at the end of the ⁶..... when the judge or jury decides that they are ⁷.....?

Almost certainly, unless you yourself are a hardened ⁸..... who has been living a life of ⁹..... for many years, your only experience of such matters is as a viewer of films and television programmes. However, your knowledge is likely to be reasonably accurate, because directors and actors research every aspect of the story ¹⁰..... To help them, organisations such as Cops on Film and TV, run by ex-detectives, now offer consultations to film and TV companies on everything from uniforms to scenery to dialogues, to ensure that everything is as realistic as possible.