

Crime and criminals

1 Use the endings in the boxes to complete the missing words in the sentences. The first letters are there to help you.

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- 0 If you park in the wrong place, you may have to pay a **fine** _____.
- 1 If you have a problem with the law, you might have to go to a **c** _____.
- 2 Police are offering a **r** _____ if people give them information about one criminal.
- 3 If someone gets into trouble with the police, they may need a **l** _____ to help them.
- 4 Police are always looking for the people who **c** _____ crimes.

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- 5 I'm always careful that no-one **st** _____ my money while I'm out shopping.
- 6 People can go to a **pr** _____ if their crime is serious.
- 7 Criminals must be given some kind of **p** _____ for what they've done wrong.
- 8 The **j** _____ is the person who decides what happens to someone if they are found guilty.

2 Circle the correct words to complete the text.

There was an incident in the main street of our town yesterday, when a man tried to **steal / chase** a woman's bag.

But she was very tough – she managed to **fall / pull** the bag from his hands and get it back, and then **jump / push** him hard to try and make him **fall / chase** onto the ground.

But instead, he carried on running along the street, so the police had to **push / chase** him to try and catch him.

They lost him for a moment and thought he'd managed to **escape / steal**.

But just then they saw him **push / climb** up a high tree and over a wall, and then **jump / pull** down to the ground from a high branch on the other side. But he was too slow, and in the end the police caught him!

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in bold.

- 0 **Pickpocketing** _____ is increasing on buses and trains nowadays.
- 1 There was a **robber** _____ at the bank yesterday.
- 2 There have been two **burglar** _____ in our street this month.
- 3 Public buildings sometimes get damaged due to **vandal** _____.
- 4 **Shoplift(er)** _____ is a major problem for this store.
- 5 Police often warn drivers about the problem of **thief** _____ from vehicles.