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MAKING JUDGMENTS

Answer the questions that follow using the passage below.



Police Corporal 37653 Johnson is working the late shift. The government has just passed a legislation which states that all citizens should be indoors by 10 pm every day. During the first night of the curfew Corporal Johnson detains two occupants of a vehicle. One is a man who appears to be in his late forties and the other a teenager who is later found to be 14 years old. Upon questioning, Corporal Johnson is told that they are travelling to a relative's home to retrieve necessary medication because the juvenile passenger is having an asthmatic attack. Although, Corporal Johnson can clearly see that the occupant is not well and that both individuals are distraught, he believes in law and order above all. He decides to arrest both individuals.

1) What is the law that was recently passed? (1 mark)

2) Why did Corporal Johnson make the decision he made? (1 mark)

b) Do you think that Corporal Johnson's decision showed good or bad judgement? Explain why or why not using evidence from the passage. (2 marks)

4) Which is the best definition of *detains*?

- a) to search one's property
- b) to give advice
- c) to hold officially, typically for questioning
- d) to inform of rights by law



5) What reasonable judgement can you make about Corporal Johnson based on his actions?

- a) He regrets becoming a police officer.
- b) He believes in doing everything by the book.
- c) He is a corrupt police officer.
- d) He is a fair police officer.