

# 30 Crime

## A TV report



Police have **found** the **body** of a 19-year-old man in a park in East London. The **dead** body was **discovered** by a woman walking her dog early this morning. The police have **not named** the man, but there has been a **series** of **crimes** in the **area** in **recent** weeks. They think the man was **killed** and the **attack** was **planned**.

### GLOSSARY

<b>find</b> <i>pt/lpp</i>	<b>found</b>	see or get sth after looking
<b>body</b>		the whole form of a person or animal
<b>dead</b>		not living <b>OPP</b> <b>alive</b>
<b>discover</b>		find or learn sth for the first time
<b>discovery</b>	<i>n</i>	
<b>name</b>		tell people sb's name
<b>series</b>		a number of things of the same kind that come one after another: <i>a series of accidents</i>
<b>crime</b>		sth that sb does that is wrong and against the law, e.g. if you attack or kill sb. A person who does this is a <b>criminal</b> .
<b>area</b>		a part of a town, a country or the world
<b>recent</b>		that happened or began only a short time ago
<b>kill</b>		make sb die
<b>attack</b>		an act which is done to hurt sb or damage sth <b>attack</b> <i>v</i> : He <b>attacked</b> the man with a knife.
<b>plan</b>		decide what you are going to do and how you are going to do it <b>plan</b> <i>n</i>

### 1 Same or different? Write S or D.

- ▶ The girl was alive. / The girl was a criminal.
- 1 They found the body. / They discovered the body.
- 2 The dog was dead. / The dog was alive.
- 3 They named him. / They said who he was.
- 4 He attacked someone. / He killed someone.

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- 5 It's a recent problem. / It's an old problem. ....
- 6 This is a nice area of town. / This is a nice part of town. ....
- 7 a series of crimes / a number of crimes ....
- 8 They planned the crime. / They discovered the crime. ....

### 2 Answer Yes or No.

- ▶ Does a person have a **body**? *Yes*
- 1 If someone is **dead**, can they speak? .....
- 2 Can a **body** be a dead person? .....
- 3 If you **kill** somebody, are they dead? .....
- 4 Do the police look for **criminals**? .....

- 5 If a crime was **recent**, was it a long time ago? .....
- 6 Is a **series** more than one? .....
- 7 If you **attack** somebody, are they happy? .....
- 8 If you **discover** something, have you lost it? .....

### 3 Complete the sentences.

- ▶ There were purple marks on the body.
- 1 The police have ..... a body in the woods outside town.
- 2 I never go there because it's a dangerous ..... of town at night.
- 3 The woman was ..... by the police as Josephine Smith.
- 4 Two men ..... an old man in a bar, and he had to go to hospital.
- 5 The man died later in hospital but the police don't know who ..... him.
- 6 The police are worried about the number of serious ..... in the town.
- 7 There has been a ..... of car accidents on that road.
- 8 The old man was still ..... when they found him, and he was taken to hospital.



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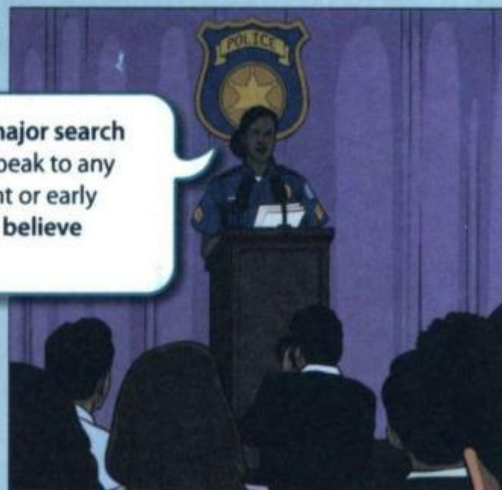


## B Police statement

... We think the crime **happened** late last night, so a **major search** of the area is now **taking place** and we would like to speak to any **members of the public** who were in that area last night or early this morning. I would also like to **stress** that we do not **believe** there is any **danger** to the public.

### GLOSSARY

<b>statement</b>	sth you say or write, which is often formal
<b>late</b>	near the end of a period of time: <i>He's in his late 20s</i> (= 27-29).
<b>major</b>	large or important
<b>search</b>	when you try to find sb or sth <b>search</b> v
<b>member</b>	sb who is part of a group or team
<b>the public</b>	people in general; everybody
<b>stress</b>	say sth strongly to show that it is important
<b>believe</b>	think that sth is true or possible
<b>danger</b>	the possibility that sth bad may happen: <i>You may be in danger if you are alone.</i> <b>dangerous</b> adj OPP <b>safe</b>



### SPOTLIGHT *happen and take place*

These words have the same basic meaning, but **happen** usually describes something that is not planned:

- *How did the accident **happen**?*

**Take place** usually describes something that is planned:

- *The meeting **took place** yesterday evening.*

### 4 Same or different? Write S or D.

- ▶ a member of the team / one person in the team S
- 1 a major problem / a small problem .....
- 2 They believe it's true. / They think it's true. .....
- 3 The place is dangerous. / The place is safe. .....
- 4 It was late last night. / It was early last night. .....
- 5 members of the public / members of the police .....
- 6 They're searching for him. / They're trying to find him. .....
- 7 They made a statement. / They made a decision. .....
- 8 It happens every year. / It takes place every year. .....

### 5 Complete the definitions.

- ▶ A statement is something you say or write.
- 1 If you search an area, you try to ..... somebody or something.
- 2 A member is somebody who is part of a .....
- 3 If you stress something, you are saying it is .....
- 4 If you believe something is true, then you ..... it is true.
- 5 The public are ..... in general.
- 6 If something takes place, it .....

### 6 Complete the dialogues.

- ▶ Have the police spoken to anyone? ~ Yes, they're talking to the public now.
- 1 He's about 28, isn't he? ~ Yeah, he's in his ..... 20s.
- 2 Have the police said anything? ~ Yes, they've made a formal .....
- 3 Is he safe? ~ No, he could be in .....
- 4 Have the police found anything? ~ No, but they're ..... the area now.
- 5 Is it important? ~ Yes, it's a ..... problem.
- 6 Do you think they'll find the boy? ~ Yes, I ..... they will.
- 7 How did the fire .....? ~ I think it was a cigarette that started it.
- 8 Are the police talking to people? ~ Yes, they're interviewing members of the .....



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