V insight Collocations: crime

4 **Find the verbs in the article and write the nouns that go with them. Which phrases describe something the police do?**

1 get into (line 24) _____
2 arrest (line 25) _____
3 punish (line 29) _____
4 pay (line 31) _____
5 appear (line 31) _____
6 commit (line 47) _____
7 charge (line 54) _____
8 spend time (line 55) _____

5 **Complete the extract from a newspaper article with the correct form of the verbs in exercise 4.**

Can you remember the last time you [1]_____ trouble at school? What happened? Did your teacher talk to you about it? Perhaps they [2]_____ you or sent you to the head teacher? That's not unusual, but for students in some parts of America, it's a very different story. If you do something wrong, the police can [3]_____ you and put you in prison. Last year in California, a girl [4]_____ in court because she dropped food on the floor in the school canteen. In Texas, a boy [5]_____ in prison because he wasn't wearing his school identification tag. Was he just forgetful or did he [6]_____ a crime? Police officers in schools sometimes [7]_____ students for very small offences. In some schools, the students have to [8]_____ a fine for arriving late or not wearing their school uniform.

unthinkable happened. Two students from Colorado shot twelve other students and a teacher at school. [2]_____ Everyone wanted protection for their children, and police officers in schools were the answer.

Nowadays, police still protect schools, and in many schools, there is a zero tolerance policy*. This means that you can get into trouble for even small offences. Police officers arrest people for violence and bringing illegal drugs or weapons into school, but they can also arrest them for throwing paper planes or being

