

## An Introduction to Criminology

Criminology means/ involves:

What does crime mean? Give 3 examples of crimes:

What does deviance mean? Give 3 examples of deviant behaviour:

Give an example of a behaviour which is both criminal and deviant:



## 24 hours in Police Custody: Channel 4 Documentary



What crimes have been committed?

Who is involved in investigation the crime? Give details on their roles.

Why do you think these crimes were committed?

How is evidence collected during the investigations?

How is the suspect treated when in custody?

What are the rules/ the process involved in charging someone with a crime?

What punishments are given to the criminal? Why do you think this is?

## What is a crime?

### Discussion/ Research Questions:

- 1) How would you define a crime?
- 2) Give examples of things which used to be crimes but are now legal?
- 3) Why do you think what constitutes as a crime can change over time?
- 4) Does what constitutes as a crime differ between countries? Why do you think this is?
- 5) Give examples of crimes we have currently that may become legal in the future.
- 6) Who do you think decides what acts become criminal?

### A case study– the Spanner case:

- 1) What happened in the Spanner case?
- 2) Why would someone claim what they did was a criminal act?
- 3) Why would someone claim it isn't a criminal act?

## The Example of Abortion

Arguments in Favour of Abortion being a crime	Arguments against abortion being a crime

In conclusion my view is...

because.....

## Review:

One difficulty in trying to define a crime



2 examples of crimes  
which are now legal



3 examples of  
crime



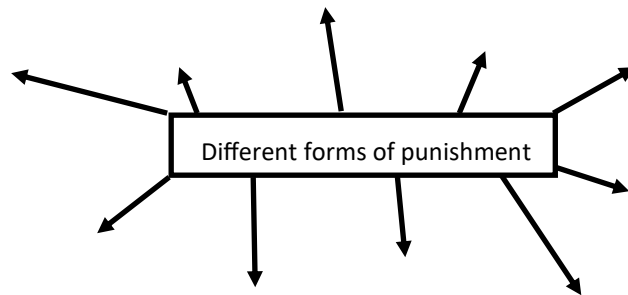
What new information have you learnt:

## What crimes exist in the UK?

Research the different types of crime in the diagram and in each box define the crime and give an example of a time that crime has occurred in the UK (or in the world if you are struggling). Ensure you give details of what happened in your example. It would also be useful to write in the box what type of person is likely to commit that type of crime and what type of person is likely to be a victim of that type of crime.

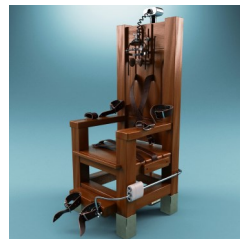
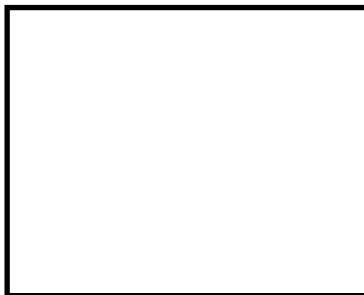
Type of Crime and Description	Example of that type of crime
White Collar Crime	
Honour Crime	
Technology Crime	
Moral Crime	
State Crime	
Crime against the person	

## Aims of Punishment



What should be the aims of punishment?

What would be the point of these types of punishment?



**Reformation**

**Deterrence**

**Protection**

**Retribution**

Aims of  
Punish-  
ment

**Vindication**

Extension: Are some forms more effective than other? Justify your view.

## Key Cases in Criminology

Within the criminology course there are some cases which you will come across over the two years. Your task is to research the cases now and know why they are important to give you a head start when we examine these cases in class. You can either research the cases using the internet or watch the links you have got next to each case.

### Sara Payne and Sara's Law

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SgQjqnR-35M>



- 1) What happened to Sara?
- 2) Who was responsible for Sara's death and how was this uncovered?
- 3) What law was introduced after the investigation into her death? How did her mum campaign to allow this law to be created?
- 4) Has Sara's Law been successful? (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-25489541>)



## **Clare Wood and Clare's Law**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZdkOwkYfils>

- 1) What happened to Clare Wood?
- 2) Who was responsible for the crime and what became known about his criminal past?
- 3) What is Clare's Law and how does the process work?
- 4) Outline 4 ways in which the campaign for Clare's Law led to a change in the law



## Jimmy Savile and Operation Yewtree



- 1) Why was Jimmy Savile famous when he was alive?
- 2) What was claimed about Jimmy Savile after his death?
- 3) Why did many people not want to report that they were a victim of crime whilst he was alive?
- 4) How was Jimmy Savile able to get away with his crimes for so long?
- 5) After the case of Jimmy Savile how did society's attitude's around child abuse change?
- 6) What is operation Yewtree?

## Meredith Kercher Amanda Knox



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=erla7Ley4Tw> or Amanda Knox on Netflix:

- 1) What happened to Meredith Kercher?
- 2) How did Amanda Knox become implicated in her murder?
- 3) What evidence was used to find Amanda Knox guilty of the crime?
- 4) Why was some of this evidence not reliable?
- 5) How did the media portray Amanda Knox and what effect might this have had on the case?
- 6) What eventually happened to Amanda Knox?



## Jeremy Bamber



1) What happened at the White House Farm?

2) Who was initially accused of committing the crime and why?

3) Why was Jeremy then accused of committing the crime?

4) What happened to Jeremy as a result?

5) Fill in the table:

Evidence to say Jeremy Bamber is innocent	Evidence to say Jeremy Bamber is guilty

## Chris Halliwell and Steven Fulcher

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hLrgSuGz8b0>

- 1) What crime did Chris Halliwell commit?
- 2) How did Steven Fulcher get a confession from Chris Halliwell?
- 3) Why was his was of getting the confession problematic?
- 4) Could that evidence be used at a trial? Explain your answer.
- 5) How was Chris Halliwell convicted instead?
- 6) What happened to Steve Fulcher after the case?

