



THE 7 QUESTIONS IN CRIME INVESTIGATION

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"Every crime begins with a question
- solving it begins with seven."

There are seven questions,
which need to be answered when investigating the crime:

- What?
- Who?
- When?
- How?
- Where?
- With what?
- Why?

1. WHAT?

- What type of crime was committed?
- What damage or injuries were caused?
- What happened (sequence of events)?
- What was said by whom?
- What evidence was found (physical, digital, biological)?

2. WHO?

- Who were the Victims?
- Who were the Witnesses?
- Who were the Suspects?

3. WHEN?

- When did the crime occur?
- When were the police called?
- When did the police arrive?
- when Suspects arrested?

4. HOW?

- How was the crime discovered?
- How did the crime occur?
- How was evidence found or collected?

5. WHERE?

- Where did the crime occur ?
- Where was the evidence found?
- Where do the victims, witnesses, and suspects live or work?

6. WITH WHAT?

- With what weapon or tool was the crime done?
- like a Firearm, knife, poison, blunt object, etc.
- Was any technology used (in case of cybercrime)?
- Were any forged documents, chemicals, or vehicles involved?

7. WHY?

- Why was the crime committed at this location?
- Why at this time?
- Why was there a motive or intent?
- Why was a specific person or property targeted?

WHY THIS FRAMEWORK MATTERS ?

- Ensures thorough investigation
- Guides evidence collection
- Aids in reconstructing the crime
- Supports courtroom testimony
- Enhances collaboration between teams



THANK YOU