**TYPES OF CRIMES**

**Part A. Reading Check**. Read through the PDF of p. 388-392. Then answer the following questions.

1) What are the three parts of the criminal justice system?

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2) What is probable cause?

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3) Why might a police officer need an arrest warrant?

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4) After a suspect is arrested and booked at the police station, they attend a preliminary hearing. What happens here?

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5) A grand jury must indict (pronounced “in-DITE”) a defendant before a trial. What does it mean to indict someone?

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6) What is an arraignment?

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7) What happens is a suspect pleads guilty at an arraignment?

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8) If a jury finds a defendant guilty during a trial, who usually decides the punishment?

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9) Why might both someone accused of a crime and the government choose to enter a plea bargain instead of taking a case to trial?

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10) What are the three parts of the corrections system?

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11) What are some of the purposes of imprisonment in the criminal justice system?

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**Part B. Critical Thinking.** Use your critical thinking skills to answer the following questions based on what we’ve learned today.

12) Why do you think that each state is allowed to establish its own capital punishment laws?

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13) Do you think that the parole of criminals is a good or bad thing? Why?

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