

**CRIMINALS AND PUNISHMENT**

**account** (n) /ə'kaʊnt/

a written or spoken description of an event (báo cáo, tường thuật)

Ex: Several eyewitnesses' **accounts** differed considerably from the official version of events.

**deposition** (n) /ˌdep.ə'zɪʃ.ən/

a formal written statement made or used in a law court (lời cung khai)

Ex: Before the court case, we had to file/give a **deposition**.

**statement** (n) /'stert.mənt/

something that you say or write officially (lời phát biểu)

Ex: The government is expected to issue a **statement** about the investigation to the press.

**bribery** (n) /'brɑɪ.bə'ri/

the crime of giving someone money or something else of value, often illegally, to persuade that person to do something you want (hối lộ)

Ex: Charges of **bribery** and official corruption were made.

**alibi** (n) /'æl.lɪ.baɪ/

evidence that proves that a person was in another place at the time of a crime and so could not have committed it (bằng chứng ngoại phạm)

Ex: The suspects all had **alibis** for the day of the robbery.

**anonymous** (adj) /ə'nɒnɪməs/

with a name that is not known or that is not made public (nặc danh, giấu tên)

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Ex: Police said an **anonymous** caller warned that a bomb was about to go off.

**blackmail** (n) /'blæk.meɪl/

the act of getting money from people or forcing them to do something by threatening to tell a secret of theirs or to harm them (hăm dọa tống tiền)

Ex: They were found guilty of **blackmail** and sent to prison.

**smuggling** (n) /'smʌg.lɪŋ/

the act or process of taking things or people to or from a place secretly and often illegally (buôn lậu)

Ex: The murdered man is thought to have been involved in drug **smuggling**.

**vandalism** (n) /'væn.dəl.ɪ.zəm/

the crime of intentionally damaging property belonging to other people (sự phá hoại các công trình)

Ex: Beset by violence and **vandalism**, this is one of the most unpleasant areas in the city.

**motive** (n) /'məʊ.tɪv/

a reason for doing something (động cơ)

Ex: Why would she have killed him? She has no **motive**.

## Quiz 1

Fill in the blanks with the words from the box

blackmail	anonymous	motive	vandalism	alibi
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1. Back when he was busted, Belichick's \_\_\_\_\_ was that he misinterpreted the rules.
2. What was their \_\_\_\_\_ for recent protests against government forces in Thailand?
3. The Darden CEO tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his employees to vote against Obama last year.
4. Callers can remain \_\_\_\_\_ and might be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.

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5. Police condemned the damage as an act of mindless \_\_\_\_\_.

**culprit** (n) /'kʌl.pɪt/

someone who has done something wrong (thủ phạm)

Ex: Police hope the public will help them to find the **culprits**.

**raid** (v) /reɪd/

to attack a place suddenly (cuộc đột kích)

Ex: The nomads **raided** the enemy camp and captured over 100 camels.

**custody** (n) /'kʌs.tə.di/

the state of being kept in prison, especially while waiting to go to court for trial (sự giam giữ, tạm giam)

Ex: He was remanded in **custody**, charged with the murder of a policeman.

**fraud** (n) /frɔːd/

the crime of getting money by deceiving people (sự gian lận, lừa lọc)

Ex: He is fighting extradition to Hong Kong to face trial on **fraud** charges.

**hijack** (v) /'haɪ.dʒæk/

to take control of an aircraft or other vehicle during a journey, especially using violence (chặn xe cộ)

Ex: Two men **hijacked** a jet travelling to Paris and demanded \$125,000.

**trafficker** (n) /'træf.ɪ.kə/

a person who buys and sells goods or people illegally (người buôn lậu)

Ex: Last year's crop earned Afghan opium farmers and **traffickers** \$2.3 billion.

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**scrap** (n) /skræp/

a small piece of something or a small amount of information. (mẩu thông tin, một chút)

Ex: There's not a **scrap** of evidence to suggest that he committed the crime.

**stalking** (n) /'sto:.kɪŋ/

the crime of illegally following and watching someone over a period of time (lén lút theo dõi)

Ex: An undercover detective said '**Stalking** has become a problem that we must take seriously.'

**shoplifting** (n) /'ʃɒp.lɪf.tɪŋ/

the illegal act of taking goods from a shop without paying for them (việc trà trộn ăn cắp ở cửa hàng)

Ex: John has been jailed three times for **shoplifting**.

**acquit** (v) /ə'kwɪt/

to decide officially in a law court that someone is not guilty of a particular crime (trắng án)

Ex: Five months ago, he was acquitted on a **shoplifting** charge.

## Quiz 2

Fill in the blanks with the words from the box

acquit	stalking	culprit	fraud	hijacking
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- Two eyewitnesses identified her as the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ seems to target searches for certain well-known brand names only.
- In the guilt phase, a jury must unanimously decide whether to convict or \_\_\_\_\_.
- He knows he is not flash enough to be a celebrity worth \_\_\_\_\_ - for five hours.
- Shepard was sentenced Dec. 10 to 10 months in prison for mail \_\_\_\_\_ and bribery.

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**verdict** (n) /'vɜː.dɪkt/

an official decision made in a court at the end of a trial (lời tuyên án)

Ex: The jury reached a unanimous **verdict** of not guilty.

**jury** (n) /'dʒʊəri/

a group of members of the public who listen to the facts of a case in a court and decide whether or not somebody is guilty of a crime (ban bồi phẩm)

Ex: The decision about whether he is innocent or guilty rests with the **jury**.

**sue** (v) /suː/

to make a claim against somebody in court about something that they have said or done to harm you (kiện)

Ex: He was so furious about the accusations in the letter that he threatened to **sue**.

**assassin** (n) /ə'sæs.ɪn/

someone who kills a famous or important person, usually for political reasons or in exchange for money (sát thủ)

Ex: She hired an **assassin** to eliminate her rival.

**immunity** (n) /ɪ'mjuː.nə.ti/

official protection from legal action, for example, not being judged in a court or punished for a crime (sự được miễn)

Ex: Taken before a federal judge, he was granted **immunity** but ordered to testify or face punishment for contempt.

**arbitration** (n) /,ɑː.bɪ'treɪ.ʃn/

the process of solving an argument between people by helping them to agree to an acceptable solution (sự phân giải)

Ex: Both sides in the dispute have agreed to go to **arbitration**.

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**abduction** (n) /æb'dʌk.ʃən/

the act of making a person go somewhere with you, especially using threats or violence (sự bắt cóc)

Ex: There has been a series of **abductions** of young children from schools in the area.

**assault** (n) /ə'sɒlt/

a violent attack (sự hành hung, tấn công)

Ex: The number of indecent **assaults** has increased alarmingly over the past year.

**hooligan** (n) /'hu:lɪ.gən/

a violent person who fights or causes damage in public places (du côn, lưu manh)

Ex: **Hooligans** had sprayed paint all over the car.

**manslaughter** (n) /'mæn.slo:tə/

the crime of killing a person when the killer did not intend to do it or cannot be responsible for his or her actions (ngộ sát)

Ex: She was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for **manslaughter**.

### Quiz 3

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abduction	manslaughter	jury	verdict	assault
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1. After the \_\_\_\_\_ was read out, Darnell tried to comfort his sobbing girlfriend.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ found that Sanders turned her down but that Clay, his friend, accepted.
3. He also reportedly had admitted the \_\_\_\_\_ to a friend before he was picked up.
4. Too often you read about a child's \_\_\_\_\_, and the ending is not a happy one.
5. Rodriguez was convicted of involuntary \_\_\_\_\_ in 1999, according to Singh.

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**Vocabulary highlights**

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- sue (v): kiện
- assassin (n): sát thủ
- immunity (n): sự được miễn
- arbitration (n): sự phân giải
- abduction (n): sự bắt cóc
- assault (n): sự hành hung
- hooligan (n): du côn
- manslaughter (n): ngộ sát

**PRACTICE**

1. Police blamed a small hooligan \_\_\_\_\_ in the crowd for the violence which occurred.  
A. constituent      B. division      C. portion      D. element
2. He offered me \$500 to break my contract. That's \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. blackmail      B. reward      C. bribery      D. compensation
3. The burglar \_\_\_\_\_ to open a window at the burglary until the police found a gold ring in his car.

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- A. succeeded      B. managed      C. forced      D. discovered
4. As he approached from behind, she never saw her \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. victim      B. enemy      C. witness      D. assailant
5. He was accused of \_\_\_\_\_ an old lady as she walking home one evening.  
A. stealing      B. mugging      C. burgling      D. blackmailing
6. Some money is missing and I am determined to find the \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. victim      B. culprit      C. burglary      D. convict
7. The hijackers took seven \_\_\_\_\_ before releasing the rest of the passengers.  
A. prisoners      B. hostages      C. witnesses      D. slaves
8. The police asked the suspect to make a (n) \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. account      B. statement      C. deposition      D. declaration
9. The police have not yet found a possible \_\_\_\_\_ for the attack on the man  
A. motive      B. example      C. principle      D. understanding
10. I was informed by the police constable that he would be force to take me into \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. custody      B. confinement      C. detection      D. guardianship
11. After the accident the policeman asked if there had been any \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. observers      B. onlookers      C. witnesses      D. spectators
12. Hotel rep Tommy Lawson threatens to \_\_\_\_\_ Klein unless he provides an alibi.  
A. stalking      B. fraud      C. blackmail      D. murder
13. As the result of the police \_\_\_\_\_ on the disco, ten people were arrested.  
A. entry      B. invasion      C. storm      D. raid
14. We hope that increasing the size of the police force will act as a \_\_\_\_\_ to crime.  
A. deterrent      B. contraction      C. suspension      D. deficiency
15. The police are concentrating on arresting drug \_\_\_\_\_ rather than casual users.  
A. agents      B. entrepreneurs      C. merchants      D. traffickers
16. I can't think why the police have detained him. There isn't a \_\_\_\_\_ of evidence against him.



A. scrap                      B. speck                      C. drop                      D. thread

17. Police have warned people to be \_\_\_\_\_ when strangers call at the door and to ask to see proof of identity.

A. choosy                      B. cagey                      C. wary                      D. scary

18. The police don't know who did it but they are interrogating some \_\_\_\_\_.

A. suspects                      B. culprits                      C. offenders                      D. assassins

19. They arrested the attacker and charged him with \_\_\_\_\_ with intent to defile.

A. abduction                      B. jury                      C. verdict                      D. acquit

20. On Friday the grand jury will let its \_\_\_\_\_ in the Strauss-Kahn case be known.

A. hijacking                      B. verdict                      C. acquit                      D. manslaughter

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