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## Vocabulary

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## Communities

Add in the missing vowels to complete the nouns in the sentences.

- There are a lot of new **d** developments in my area like new shopping malls, apartments and schools.
- I would like more sports **f** facilities in my area - a gym or a pool would be nice!
- I became a Canadian **c** citizen last year. It was a very happy moment for me.
- The local **c** council is promising to improve the roads in our area soon.
- I have a good **r** relationship with my neighbours. I chat to them most days as I leave for work.
- The public **s** services in my area are very good - we have everything we need close by.
- The local **r** residents were unhappy about the noisy café nearby and complained to the owner.
- My **i** involvement in the local community is very limited - I'm just too busy at work to help!
- There needs to be **c** co-operation between police and community leaders to help reduce crime.
- Most people want to be good members of **s** society by following the law.

## Adjectives

Complete the sentences with the adjectives in the box. There is one extra adjective you do not need to use.

crowded local near noisy rural safe urban

- Lots of people live in **u** urban areas because they are close to jobs, shops and schools.
- I don't feel **s** safe travelling on public transport at night. I prefer to catch a taxi home.
- Living in **r** rural areas is often cheaper and there is a lot of fresh air and space.
- My **l** local shops are very convenient. I can go there quickly for milk or bread if I need it.
- There is a lot of construction work in my area - it's so **c** crowded I can hardly hear the TV!
- The town centre is usually too **n** noisy on Saturdays - I prefer to go during the week.

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Reorder the letters to make crime words. The first and last letters are in the correct place.

- 1 judge
- 2 robif
- 3 stphealitr
- 4 sspreit
- 5 bapnrlr
- 6 wteisns
- 7 plcoe oieclfr
- 8 cmaarml
- 9 vdaarl
- 10 miguegr

badger

Jagged  
polic  
claw  
vandal  
mugger

## b Complete the sentences with words from Exercise 3a.

- The **j** judge decided that the man had to go to prison for five years.
- The **m** mugger attacked the man as he walked through the park and took his wallet.
- Security pictures showed the **t** thief taking make-up from the store.
- The **w** witness to the crime said she saw the person take the money.
- Last week a **v** vandal smashed several windows of the building I work in.

## 4a Complete the table.

Criminal	Crime
vandal	<u>vandalism</u>
<u>mugger</u>	mugging
shoplifter	<u>shoplifting</u>
<u>robber</u>	robbery
burglar	<u>burglary</u>
<u>thief</u>	theft

## b Read the sentences and decide if the word in bold is correct. If it isn't, correct it.

- They caught the bank **robbery** with about one million dollars in his car.
- The **theft** took place at eight yesterday morning.
- Shoplifting** is a common crime in supermarkets.
- They saw the **vandals** spraying a train with paint.
- The **muggin** attacked several people before they caught him.
- The criminals stole £500,000.

## Verbs

## 5a Match the question beginnings (1-8) with the endings (A-H).

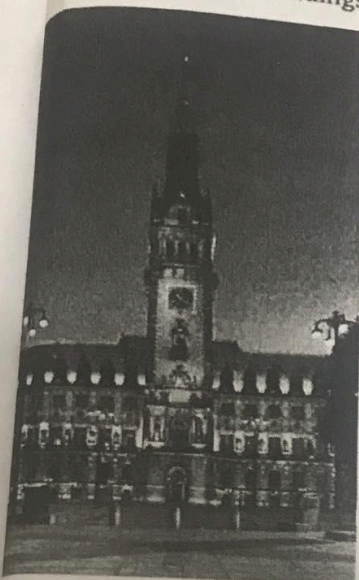
- 1 Do you think judges should send all criminals **C**
- 2 What makes somebody commit **F**
- 3 Do most burglaries **G**
- 4 Should you report every crime you see **G**
- 5 Is it easy for police to catch **B**
- 6 Are minor crimes such as stealing a soft drink **H**
- 7 Do police need evidence before they can accuse **D**
- 8 Do police arrest people for **F**

- A a crime?  
B criminals where you come from?  
C to prison?  
D someone of committing a crime?  
E take place at night or in the day?  
F speeding while driving in your town?  
G to police?  
H from a convenience store important to police?
- b Answer the questions in Exercise 5a. Try to use crime vocabulary in your answers.

1. Do you think judges should send all criminals to prison?
  - No, not all criminals should be sent to prison. Some minor offenders could benefit more from community service or rehabilitation programs.
2. What makes somebody commit a crime?
  - Various factors can drive someone to commit a crime, such as poverty, lack of education, substance abuse, or even psychological issues.
3. Do most burglaries take place at night or in the day?
  - Most burglaries tend to occur during the day when people are at work or school, making it easier for burglars to break into homes.
4. Should you report every crime you see to police?
  - Yes, reporting crimes helps the police maintain public safety and allows them to take action against offenders.
5. Is it easy for police to catch criminals where you come from?
  - It depends. In urban areas, it might be more challenging due to the population density, but with advanced technology and community cooperation, police can effectively catch criminals.
6. Are minor crimes such as stealing a soft drink from a convenience store important to police?
  - Yes, even minor crimes are important to police as they can indicate larger issues within a community and help prevent more serious crimes.
7. Do police need evidence before they can accuse someone of committing a crime?
  - Absolutely, police need solid evidence to accuse someone of a crime. Without evidence, it's impossible to ensure a fair and just legal process.
8. Do police arrest people for speeding while driving in your town?
  - Yes, police do arrest people for speeding to ensure road safety and prevent accidents.



Public buildings



1a Choose the correct options in *italics* to make compound nouns.

- 1 tourist information hall / *centre* / home
- 2 town station / *hall* / home
- 3 leisure hall / station / *centre*
- 4 concert *home* / centre / *hall*
- 5 health *centre* / home / station
- 6 community station / home / *centre*
- 7 fire centre / hall / *station*
- 8 retirement centre / *home* / hall

b Which public building from Exercise 1a do these people need?

- 1 I love going to see live music when I get the chance! *Concert hall*
- 2 I'm here for three days and I'm looking for a place to stay. *Town information centre*
- 3 I want to attend the public meeting about the new development in my area. *Town hall*
- 4 It's hard for my grandmother to live on her own at home now - she's 91! *Retirement home*
- 5 I love swimming and I want to play basketball with friends. *Leisure centre*
- 6 I'm new to the area and I need to find a doctor. I think I've got the flu. *Health centre*

2 Which word is the odd one out in each set? Why?

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|---------------------|--------------|----------|---------|
| 1 bed and breakfast | guesthouse   | prison   | hostel  |
| 2 police station    | fire station | hospital | library |
| 3 hospital          | theatre      | museum   | cinema  |

Public services

3a Complete the questions with the words in the box.

education environmental protection health care police and fire services  
public housing public spaces

- 1 Do you think there should be more *public housing* available for people to live in? *public spaces*
- 2 Are large *public spaces* an important part of a city?
- 3 Do you agree that children's *education* is the most important thing for the government to spend money on?
- 4 Do you think governments are spending enough money on national parks and *environmental protection*?
- 5 Should *health care* be free for everyone or should we all have to pay for visits to the doctors?
- 6 What skills or qualities do *police and fire services* employees need?

b Match the questions in Exercise 3a (1-6) with these answers (A-F).

- A They should be brave and probably fit too!
- B Yes, helping children learn is really important.
- C Yes, definitely. People need a place to go and relax and perhaps meet their friends to chat or play a game.
- D I don't think it can be without cost for people who can afford it. But for low-income earners, then yes, definitely.
- E Probably not. There's still a lot more they could do to help endangered animals.
- F Yes, I do. The cost of houses and apartments has increased a lot lately. Some people need help to find a home.

c Answer the questions in Exercise 3a.

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Notice that you do not need to use article (a or the) with any of the words in Exercise 3a.

1 F 5 D  
2 C 6 A  
3 B  
4 E

1. Do you think there should be more public housing available for people to live in?
  - Yes, I do. With the rising cost of living, many people struggle to afford private housing. Increasing public housing options can help provide secure and affordable homes for those in need.
2. Are large public spaces an important part of a city?
  - Yes, large public spaces are crucial. They provide areas for recreation, socializing, and relaxation, contributing to the overall well-being of the community.
3. Do you agree that children's education is the most important thing for the government to spend money on?
  - Yes, I believe children's education is extremely important. Investing in education ensures that the next generation is well-equipped with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed.
4. Do you think governments are spending enough money on national parks and environmental protection?
  - Probably not. While there have been improvements, there's always more that can be done to protect our natural resources and endangered species.
5. Should visits to the doctors (health care) be free for everyone or should we all have to pay for it?
  - I think health care should be free or heavily subsidized for those who cannot afford it. Everyone deserves access to medical care regardless of their financial situation.
6. What skills or qualities do police and fire services employees need?
  - Police and fire services employees need to be brave, physically fit, and have strong problem-solving skills. They also need to be compassionate and have good communication abilities to effectively serve the community.