

THEME: CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

VOCABULARY

WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. ABET** – encouraging someone to commit a crime
Synonym – support, encourage
Antonym- hinder; thwart
- 2. ACCOMPLICE** – a person helping to commit a crime
Synonym – abetter, henchman
Antonym- rival, adversary
- 3. CULPRIT** – a person who has done something wrong
Synonym – offender; wrongdoer
Antonym- innocent, saint
- 4. DELINQUENT** – someone often breaking the law
Synonym – errant; lawless
Antonym- well-behaved, conformist
- 5. EXONERATE** – to prove that someone is not guilty
Synonym – absolve, acquit
Antonym- charge, convict
- 6. EXTORTION** – obtaining benefit through coercion
Synonym – exaction, extraction
Antonym- coaxing; frankness
- 7. HOMICIDE** – the illegal killing of a person
Synonym – murder, assassination
Antonym- sparing
- 8. INCORRIGIBLE** – too bad to be corrected
Synonym – inveterate, irreformable
Antonym- occasional, repentant
- 9. INCRIMINATE** – to make an accusation against
Synonym – implicate; involve
Antonym- absolve, clear
- 10. MALFEASANCE** – misconduct by a public official
Synonym – misfeasance; impropriety
Antonym- honesty, sincerity

EXERCISES

EXERCISE 1

FIND THE SYNONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. CULPRIT | a) victim | b) neighbour | c) offender | d) solver |
| 2. INCORRIGIBLE | a) reformed | b) accused | c) irreformable | d) dark |
| 3. HOMICIDE | a) robbery | b) murder | c) helping | d) for |
| 4. ABET | a) encourage | b) rise | c) forget | d) rob |
| 5. EXTORTION | a) coax | b) extraction | c) frankness | d) truth |

EXERCISE 2

FIND THE ANTONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. MALFEASANCE | a) plight | b) honesty | c) lying | d) extorting |
| 2. INCRIMINATE | a) implicate | b) involve | c) absolve | d) avoid |
| 3. ACCOMPLICE | a) offender | b) reformist | c) friend | d) adversary |
| 4. EXONERATE | a) absolve | b) forgive | c) closure | d) convict |
| 5. DELINQUENT | a) deviant | b) foolish | c) conformist | d) rebel |

EXERCISE 3

FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE APROPRIATE WORDS FROM THE VOCABULARY LIST

1. Most _____ children have deprived backgrounds; some adults also aid and _____ their crimes.
2. In exchange for a reduced sentence, the thief agreed to _____ his old friend and _____.
3. A person should know an act is unlawful to be found guilty, this would _____ corporate _____.
4. The supreme court ordered that, only _____ offenders who are _____ may be sentenced to life.
5. The police advised those facing threats of _____ to come forward, so that the _____ could be arrested.