



Criminology

This work is to be completed for your first timetabled lesson. It will be marked 😊 Please can you complete these two tasks. The work can be handwritten or typed; it is your call.

Task 1:

You are to ask these questions to anyone over the age of 16. You are to investigate their opinion about punishment and prisons.

You are to ask the questions below and write down their responses. **You can of course ask additional questions too!**

- 1- Do you think we are tough enough on crime?
- 2- The sentencing council recommend that if someone commits manslaughter with loss of control, they could be given a sentence of 3-20 years. What are your thoughts about the amount of time potentially served?
- 3- Most sentences passed only require the prisoner to serve half of their time. The rest of it will then be out in the community (they will be on license). What are your thoughts about this?
- 4- Is there a particular criminal case that sticks in your mind? If so, why.

Task 2.

In 200 words (or there about) explain your views about prison. Do you think it is good system, does it work? You can be as critical or positive as you wish. This is about your opinion so there is no right or wrong answer.

Extension task- this is optional. You do not have to do this 😊

Read the article attached to this pack. (<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2022/may/12/levi-bellfield-prisons-minister-review-serial-killer-request-marry-milly-dowler-marsha-mcdonnell-amelie-delagrange>)

You are to then give an opinion piece about this. Do you think prisoners should be given the same rights as everyone else? The Human Rights Act 1998 is meant to allow everyone to have basic civil rights. So, do you think that these rights should be totally wavered (stopped) when they are in prison for serious offences like Levi Bellfield?

Where does this all sit in terms of your criminology curriculum? We study prison and punishment for about 3 months. We will look at many of the aspects covered in this homework task, so it is a very valuable and thought provoking piece of work 😊