



UNIT 4 : CRIME AND VIOLENCE

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Lesson type: Speaking

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LEAD IN

Discuss the following issue:

- What sorts of violence are frequent in your neighbourhood ?
- what kind of people used to practice?
- what do you think we should do to prevent them?

LEARNING CONTEXT

Everyday on TV, criminal and violent actions are broadcasted. Students of 1^{ère} D of Lycée Municipal 1 Koumassi are talking about the different types of crimes in order to give their opinions and suggest some solutions to this problem.

LESSON CONTENT

LANGUAGE FUNCTION	STRUCTURE	VOCABULARY
Expressing an opinion	'I believe that' ... 'As I see it' 'In my view' ...	misdemeanor / felony /abduction / rape / murder / arson / burglary

A- VOCABULARY

A **misdemeanor** is a misconduct, a small crime.

A **felony** is a serious crime

Abduction = kidnapping

Rape = forced sex, sexual assault

Murder = deliberate killing of a person.

Arson is the fact of deliberately starting a fire to cause damage.

Burglary = breaking and entering, theft

- **LANGUAGE FUNCTION** : Expressing an opinion with 'I believe that' ... /
'As I see it' / 'In my view' ...

Examples:

- *I believe that* criminals should be punished.
- *As I see it* criminals should be punished.
- *In my view* criminals should be punished.

Activity 1: Classify the crimes by putting each word from the box under the right heading.

Cheating- murder- rape- theft- abduction- arson- pickpocket

Misdemeanour	Felony

Activity 2: Match each crime with the right fact. One fact is not concerned.

Crime	Fact
1- Rape	a- This man assassinated President Lincoln.
2- Arson	b- Ali entered the office and stole a computer.
3- murder	c- The men held the boy until his parents paid a ransom.
4- burglary	d- Koffi deliberately set fire to the building.
	e- Old Bamoussa forced little Fatou to have sex with him.

B- LANGUAGE FUNCTION

Look at the captions and give the opinion of each of these persons. Number is an example.

Zokou: He became a burglar because he has no parents
 Soro: I am sure good laws can help stop criminality.
 Meledje: Raping is an arson.
 Kapeu: I was kidnapped because he was in a war zone.

- 1-
- 2-
- 3-
- 4- *I think that he was kidnapped because he was in a war zone.*.....

COMMUNICATION ACTIVITY

The members of your English club attended a conference about Crime and Violence. Back to your school, you discuss the information you got.

- List the different kinds of crimes you know and tell your friends what each of this crime consists in,
- Give your opinion about criminality,
- Suggest some solutions to stop criminality in your country.

HOMEWORK

As the chairperson of your school English speaking Club, you have been chosen by a Nigerian NGO to prepare a presentation on rape in your country. In your presentation,

- define what rape is
- List some reasons why people rape women
- underline the consequences on their victims
- suggest some solutions to stop it.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES