

History

Crime and Punishment

Key Words	Definition
Law	Rules that a country has to regulate behaviour.
Crime	Doing something against the law.
Innocent	Not responsible for a crime.
Guilty	Responsible for a crime.
Judge	A public officer who makes decisions in a court of law.
Jury	A group of people who listen to evidence and decide on guilt or innocence.
Victorian	Period of time when Queen Victoria ruled (1837-1901)
Transportation	Convicted criminals were sent to live and work in another country (eg: Australia)
Hard labour	Hard, heavy manual work used as punishment.
Treadmill	Introduced in 1818. Prisoners walk around a wheel, grinding corn, as a means of doing useful work.
Sir Robert Peel	Introduced the modern police force in 1829.
'Bobbies' or 'Peelers'	Informal name for policemen (derived from Sir Robert Peel's name)
Finger printing	Taking an ink impression to identify a person responsible. First used in a criminal case in 1901.
Probation	the release of an offender from detention, subject to a period of good behaviour under supervision.
Community Service	unpaid work, intended to be of social use, that an offender is required to do instead of going to prison.

