

# Introduction to Criminology Basics

Criminology · Answer Key · 8 Questions

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**1. What is the term for a formal accusation made by a prosecutor against a person for a crime?**

**A) Indictment**

B) Acquittal

C) Parole

D) Probation

**2. Which of these is considered a 'white-collar' crime?**

A) Shoplifting

**B) Embezzlement**

C) Aggravated assault

D) Vandalism

**3. What is the primary role of a jury in a criminal trial?**

A) To prosecute the defendant

B) To determine the sentence

**C) To reach a verdict based on evidence**

D) To investigate the crime scene

**4. In the criminal justice system, what does the term 'recidivism' refer to?**

A) The reduction of a prison sentence

B) The study of crime statistics

**C) The act of a person repeating an offence**

D) The process of selecting a jury

**5. Which branch of science involves the application of scientific methods to solve crimes?**

A) Psychology

**B) Forensics**

C) Economics

D) Anthropology

**6. What is the 'burden of proof' in a criminal trial usually described as?**

**A) Beyond a reasonable doubt**

B) On the balance of probabilities

C) Preponderance of evidence

D) Clear and convincing evidence

**7. Which legal term describes a crime that is considered less serious than a felony and is typically punishable by fines or short jail time?**

- A) Capital offence
- B) Misdemeanour**
- C) Civil tort
- D) Indictable offence

**8. What is the main purpose of a 'pre-sentence report' in the court process?**

- A) To determine the innocence of the accused
- B) To provide information to the judge for sentencing**
- C) To decide if the police investigation was legal
- D) To cross-examine witnesses