# Criminology Basics for Young Minds

Criminology · Answer Key · 12 Questions

**1. Who is widely considered the 'father of criminology' for his 18th-century work 'On Crimes and Punishments'?**

**A) Cesare Beccaria**
B) Edmond Locard
C) Francis Galton
D) Jeremy Bentham

**2. What is the name of the forensic principle which states that 'every contact leaves a trace'?**

A) The Daubert Standard
**B) Locard's Exchange Principle**
C) The Bertillonage System
D) Frye Standard

**3. In the history of criminal identification, what system used precise body measurements before fingerprints became the standard?**

A) Dactyloscopy
**B) Anthropometry**
C) Phrenology
D) Graphology

**4. Which term refers to the scientific study of fingerprints as a means of identification?**

A) Odontology
B) Serology
**C) Dactyloscopy**
D) Toxicology

**5. What type of law deals with disputes between individuals or organizations, rather than crimes against the state?**

A) Criminal Law
**B) Civil Law**
C) Constitutional Law
D) Military Law

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**6. Which field of forensic science involves the study of insects found on a body to estimate the time of death?**

**A) Forensic Entomology**
B) Forensic Anthropology
C) Forensic Botany
D) Forensic Pathology

**7. What was the primary purpose of the 'Bertillon system' developed in the late 19th century?**

A) Identifying DNA sequences
**B) Cataloging criminal records by body measurements**
C) Detecting lies during interrogation
D) Analyzing blood spatter patterns

**8. Which of these is the term for a systematic study of the shape of the skull to determine character or mental ability, now considered a pseudoscience?**

**A) Phrenology**
B) Psychology
C) Pathology
D) Physiognomy

**9. In modern criminology, what does the term 'recidivism' describe?**

A) The investigation of cold cases
B) The release of a prisoner on parole
**C) A person's relapse into criminal behavior**
D) The process of collecting DNA evidence

**10. Who developed the first systematic use of fingerprints for criminal investigation in the late 1800s?**

**A) Sir Francis Galton**
B) Alphonse Bertillon
C) Hans Gross
D) J. Edgar Hoover

**11. What is the legal term for the 'guilty act' that must be proven in order to convict someone of a crime?**

A) Mens rea
**B) Actus reus**
C) Habeas corpus
D) Pro bono

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**12. Which branch of criminology specifically studies the victims of crimes rather than the offenders?**

**A) Victimology**

B) Criminometry

C) Penology

D) Sociology

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