

# 8A Beat the robbers...and the burglars

## 1 VOCABULARY crime and punishment

a Order the letters to make words for crimes.



- 1 gbrryual burglary
- 2 jkihigcan \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 gsunimlgg \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 mtrisrero \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 lsvdnaam \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 rudaf \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 bbrriey \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 drmeur \_\_\_\_\_

b Complete the chart.

Crime	Criminal	Verb
kidnapping	<i>kidnapper</i>	<i>to kidnap</i>
	blackmailer	
		to sell drugs
mugging		
	rapist	
		to steal
robbery		
	stalker	
		to hack

c Complete the sentences with the correct form of a word from a or b.

- 1 The kidnapper took the child while she was playing outside her house.
- 2 Fortunately there were no customers in the bank when the \_\_\_\_\_ happened.
- 3 The \_\_\_\_\_ followed the actress everywhere she went.
- 4 They were trying to \_\_\_\_\_ electronic goods into the country, but they were caught at customs.
- 5 The Mayor accepted a \_\_\_\_\_ in exchange for allowing the company to build on that land.
- 6 Two men \_\_\_\_\_ my friend at knifepoint yesterday. They took all her money.
- 7 Someone managed to \_\_\_\_\_ into her computer and find her personal details.
- 8 A \_\_\_\_\_ broke into my house while I was away and stole my laptop.

d Circle the correct word.

- 1 A man has been *caught* / arrested in connection with the robbery at the bank yesterday.
- 2 It took the jury two weeks to reach their *punishment* / *verdict* of 'Not guilty'.
- 3 The victim's husband has been *charged* / *committed* with the murder of his wife.
- 4 The criminal will appear in *court* / *judge* next week.
- 5 Police are *investigating* / *questioning* the kidnapping of a millionaire's son in Los Angeles.
- 6 The judge *acquitted* / *sentenced* the accused man because there was no evidence.
- 7 The *jury* / *witnesses* who had seen the burglary reported it to the police.
- 8 He got a €300 *fine* / *sentence* for parking illegally.

## 2 READING

a Read the article and answer the questions with the paragraph letter.

In which technique...

- 1 does the victim put himself in danger by downloading files from the internet? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 is the victim tricked into replying to an email? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 does the thief look through the victim's things with his own hands? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 is the victim tricked into making a phone call? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 is the thief in control of the victim's electronic device? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 does the thief speak to the victim personally? \_\_\_\_\_

b Look at the **highlighted** words and phrases in the text and try to work out their meaning. Then use them to complete the sentences.

- 1 Please \_\_\_\_\_ your name and email address.
- 2 I have your mobile number, but I don't have your \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 You can \_\_\_\_\_ any of these items at our online store.
- 4 If you \_\_\_\_\_ room service, please press 1.
- 5 Remember to use a shredder when you \_\_\_\_\_ any envelopes or letters that contain your personal information.
- 6 With digital TV, you \_\_\_\_\_ hundreds of different channels.
- 7 The police have asked for more time to \_\_\_\_\_ evidence.
- 8 Tomorrow I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ my wardrobe and throw away all my old clothes.

# Top techniques in identity theft

Identity theft is the illegal use of somebody else's personal information in order to obtain money or credit. Victims of identity theft can face financial and even legal problems in the future because an impostor has used their personal details to purchase something or give false information to the authorities. The best way of preventing thieves from stealing your identity is to know how they operate. Here are some of the most common identity theft techniques.



## A Phishing

You get an email that claims to be from a financial institution or other business asking for some personal information from you. It contains a link to a web page where you have to key in your bank username and password. The new page may look real but it is, in fact, a fake. Identity thieves will take all of the information you give on the page and use it to steal money from your accounts.

## B Smishing

You get a text message which seems to require your immediate attention, for example: '[Name of bank] confirms that you have bought a computer from [Name of retailer]. Call [Phone Number] if you have not made this purchase.' When you call the number, an automated voice response system asks you to confirm your credit card details. The text message is actually from a group of identity thieves who can create and use a duplicate bank card within 30 minutes of obtaining the necessary information.

## C Vishing

This occurs when you receive a phone call on your landline from someone who seems to be trying to help you. The person claims to have detected fraudulent activity on your credit card and asks you to confirm your credit card details. The call is actually from an identity thief who wants to use your card to purchase things for himself.

## D Spoofing

Hackers break into your computer and transfer communication from a legitimate website to a fake one. For example, when you try to log into Facebook, your computer will take you to the hacker's site, where they will steal your login information. From there, they will have access to plenty of details, such as your date of birth and the names of the members of your family. Later, they can use this information to steal your identity.

## E Spyware

Spyware is a type of software used on the internet to gather information about a person or organization without their consent. Identity thieves often attach it to downloadable files, such as online games. When you install the game, a hacker records all your keystrokes, including things like credit card numbers or bank account logins.

## F Digging through your dustbin

The dustbin can be a great source of personal information and in some cases, identity thieves actually go through the rubbish to see what they can find. Make sure you completely destroy your old credit cards when it is time to dispose of them. As far as official documents are concerned, you should put them all through a shredder or burn them before you throw them out.

## 3 GRAMMAR passive (all forms); it is said that..., he is thought to..., etc

- a Complete the text with the correct active or passive form of the verb in brackets.

As a police officer, I was very upset when my motorbike <sup>1</sup> was taken (take) from outside my house last month. When I found out that over 20 motorbikes <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (steal) in my area in the previous six months, I promised myself that the thief would <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (catch) and <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (punish). First my colleagues and I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (question) all the victims of the thefts and <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) all the motorbike dealers in the area. Our investigations came to an end late last night when we identified the criminal... as my next-door neighbour!

He <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (just arrest) and at the moment he <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (hold) at the local police station. His case <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) in the Magistrate's Court next week and we all <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (expect) him to be found guilty. He might <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (give) a short prison sentence, but the best thing is that no more motorbikes <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (steal) in my area in the near future.

- b Rewrite the sentences.

- It is known that the rapist is a local man.  
The rapist is known to be a local man.
- The blackmailer is understood to be a colleague of the victim.  
It is understood that the blackmailer is a colleague of the victim.
- It is expected that the man will be acquitted.  
The man \_\_\_\_\_.
- It is reported that kidnappers have taken the president's wife.  
Kidnappers \_\_\_\_\_.
- The terrorists are thought to be in hiding somewhere in France.  
It is \_\_\_\_\_.
- The suspect is known to be dangerous.  
It is \_\_\_\_\_.
- It is reported that vandals have damaged the art gallery.  
Vandals \_\_\_\_\_.
- The police are said to have arrested three men.  
It is \_\_\_\_\_.





#### 4 MINI GRAMMAR *have something done*

Rewrite the sentences with *have something done*.

- Someone is going to change the lock on my front door.  
I'm going to have the lock on my front door changed.
- Someone tests our burglar alarm twice a year.  
We \_\_\_\_\_ twice a year.
- A mechanic has repaired my car.  
I \_\_\_\_\_.
- Someone painted my brother's house.  
My brother \_\_\_\_\_.
- Someone will clean my carpets in the spring.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ in the spring.
- Some men are building a wall around my neighbour's garden.  
My neighbours \_\_\_\_\_ around their garden.
- Someone cleans Oliver's flat once a week.  
Oliver \_\_\_\_\_ once a week.
- A company is redesigning our garden.  
We \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 5 PRONUNCIATION the letter u

a Circle the word with a different sound.

1	 3x bird	burglar murderer <u>secure</u> verdict
2	 1x up	judge jury drugs punishment
3	 2x horse	court guilty stalker fraud
4	 1x bike	trial bribery blackmail hijack

b **iChecker** Listen and check. Then listen and repeat the words.

#### 6 LISTENING

a **iChecker** Listen to five people talking about different crimes and write speaker 1–5 next to each sentence. There is one sentence you do not need to use.

- A The victim was congratulated by local people. \_\_\_\_\_
- B The victim was hurt during the incident. \_\_\_\_\_
- C The victim was lucky because the police saw the incident. \_\_\_\_\_
- D The victim and other people were too surprised to react. \_\_\_\_\_
- E The victim recovered one of the stolen belongings. \_\_\_\_\_
- F The victim has experienced the same crime more than once. \_\_\_\_\_

b Listen again and mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).

- Speaker 1 was walking to work when the incident happened. \_\_\_\_\_
- Speaker 2 takes precautions to avoid having things stolen. \_\_\_\_\_
- Speaker 3 was robbed because he / she was not paying attention. \_\_\_\_\_
- Speaker 4 was alone when the incident happened. \_\_\_\_\_
- Speaker 5 was shopping when he / she witnessed a crime. \_\_\_\_\_

c Listen again with the audioscript on p.75 and try to guess the meaning of any words that you don't know. Then check in your dictionary.

#### USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

against the law /ə'geɪnst ðə lɔː/

cab (= taxi) /kæb/

download music (from the internet) /'daʊnləʊd 'mju:zɪk/

false identity /fɔːls aɪ'dentəti/

hesitate /'hezɪteɪt/

ignore /ɪg'nɔː/

illegal /ɪ'li:gl/

make eye contact /meɪk aɪ 'kɒntækt/

overprotective /əʊvəprə'tektɪv/

suspicious /sə'spi:ʃəs/

Watch out! /wɒtʃ aʊt/



# 8B Breaking news

## 1 GRAMMAR reporting verbs

a Complete with the gerund or the infinitive of the verb in brackets.

- 1 The girl refused to dance with my friend. (dance)
- 2 My husband denied \_\_\_\_\_ the last cream cake. (eat)
- 3 My parents told me \_\_\_\_\_ late. (not be)
- 4 The tour guide recommended \_\_\_\_\_ the Picasso Museum. (visit)
- 5 I agreed \_\_\_\_\_ in front of my neighbour's garage. (not park)
- 6 The police accused him of \_\_\_\_\_ them the truth. (not tell)
- 7 My boyfriend asked me \_\_\_\_\_ him to the station. (take)
- 8 The teacher threatened \_\_\_\_\_ them extra homework if they didn't stop talking. (give)
- 9 Jane promised \_\_\_\_\_ my book the next day. (return)
- 10 The woman admitted \_\_\_\_\_ the man's watch. (steal)

b Report the direct speech using one of the reporting verbs from the box.

advise apologize insist invite  
offer remind suggest warn

- 1 'Don't forget to sign the documents,' my boss told me.  
My boss reminded me to sign the documents.
- 2 'I really don't think you should leave your job,' Jack's friend told him.  
Jack's friend \_\_\_\_\_ his job.
- 3 'Why don't we go for a walk?' said Katie.  
Katie \_\_\_\_\_ for a walk.
- 4 'Shall I make the lunch?' her husband said.  
Her husband \_\_\_\_\_ the lunch.
- 5 'Don't park in this street,' the man said to us.  
The man \_\_\_\_\_ there.
- 6 'I'm sorry I was so rude,' I said.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ so rude.
- 7 'Would you like to have dinner with me?' Andy asked Sarah.  
Andy \_\_\_\_\_ with him.
- 8 'I'm going with you to the doctor's,' Alice said to me.  
Alice \_\_\_\_\_ to the doctor's with me.

## 2 VOCABULARY the media

a Complete the sentences with jobs in the media.



- 1 The paparazzi were waiting outside the restaurant to photograph the princess.
- 2 I'm surprised none of the cr\_\_\_\_\_ liked the film; I thought it was great!
- 3 The n\_\_\_\_\_ was very embarrassed when he couldn't pronounce the politician's name.
- 4 The c\_\_\_\_\_ got very excited when the first goal was scored.
- 5 My brother is a r\_\_\_\_\_ for The Sunday Times.
- 6 The newspaper e\_\_\_\_\_ decided not to print the reporter's story because it was too politically sensitive.
- 7 I've stopped watching that show because I can't stand the pr\_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 Laura works from home as a fr\_\_\_\_\_ j\_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 Have you ever written an email to an a\_\_\_\_\_ a\_\_\_\_\_ asking for advice?

b Complete the headlines with a word from the box.

back bids clash hit quit quiz row split tipped wed

- 1 **TV presenter axed by BBC in row over dress code.**
- 2 Singer to \_\_\_\_\_ Brazilian model.
- 3 **Minister to \_\_\_\_\_ after revelations about personal life.**
- 4 Police \_\_\_\_\_ wife after man disappears.
- 5 Hollywood stars \_\_\_\_\_ presidential candidate.
- 6 **US stock market \_\_\_\_\_ by new company scandal.**
- 7 Ex-footballer \_\_\_\_\_ to win reality show.
- 8 Supermarket \_\_\_\_\_ to attract customers by slashing prices.
- 9 **Players \_\_\_\_\_ over referee's decision.**
- 10 Celebrity couple \_\_\_\_\_ after five years.



### 3 READING

a Read the article and complete it with the missing headings.

- A Visit different places
- B You are paid to read
- C No two days are ever the same
- D You can see your name in print
- E You're always finding out new things
- F You can be an opinion-maker
- G You meet all kinds of people
- H Every minute counts

b Find the words or phrases in the text to match definitions 1–9.

- 1 deal with something (*introduction*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 about twelve (*paragraph 1*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 more intelligent (*paragraph 2*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 sometimes (*paragraph 3*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 an increase in your salary (*paragraph 4*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 remain in control of (*paragraph 5*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 a time or date before which something must be finished (*paragraph 6*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 repeated exactly as it was written (*paragraph 7*) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 a strong need or desire (*paragraph 8*) \_\_\_\_\_

## Journalism: *the best job ever*

Not everyone can handle a career in journalism – it can be stressful and the hours are long – but it's a fantastic, and popular, career choice. Here are eight reasons why.

1 \_\_\_\_  
The first thing you do in your working day is sit down and find out what's been happening in the world since you went to sleep the night before. Reading a dozen or so news outlets and blogs with your morning coffee is a better way to start the day than sitting in traffic in the rush hour!

2 \_\_\_\_  
When you start writing a new story, you know nothing, or very little, about it. But by the time you hand your finished article to the editor, you're an expert in that story. You're constantly learning and getting smarter when you're a journalist.

3 \_\_\_\_  
On a single day, you could be at your desk researching some new story. Or you might cover a press event with a photographer, or interview a contact for a developing story. From time to time you might even be asked to review a restaurant or cultural event. You never know what the day is going to bring.

4 \_\_\_\_  
One of the highlights of the job is interviewing really interesting people you wouldn't normally have the chance to talk to: from 'ordinary' people who have done something extraordinary, to sportspeople, artists, and musicians. And you don't have to worry about what you say to everyone you meet, either – if you ask a politician a question they don't like, you could get a pay rise.



5 \_\_\_\_  
It's a big, fast world, and it's important to be where the news is happening, particularly with events that have a global significance like conflicts or protests. Not all journalists travel a lot, but many do. Situations change quickly these days and it's important to stay on top of the story.

6 \_\_\_\_  
A newsroom is a fast-paced environment and a journalist works to a tight deadline, so there's always a certain adrenaline rush. If you are the type of person who works best under pressure, it's the best job ever.

7 \_\_\_\_  
It's a great feeling to have your name in a published article, or to have something you've written quoted in another article. And when someone tells you that they've read your article and they like what you've written, that's even better.

8 \_\_\_\_  
If you have an urge to write and you are curious about the world around you, a career in journalism is the obvious choice. The best journalists are the ones who really try to understand every aspect of a story, and then explain that story well. A good, well-written article can influence the way people think.

## 4 PRONUNCIATION word stress

a Write the reporting verbs in the correct column.

accuse admit advise agree  
convince deny insist invite  
offer persuade promise refuse  
remind suggest threaten

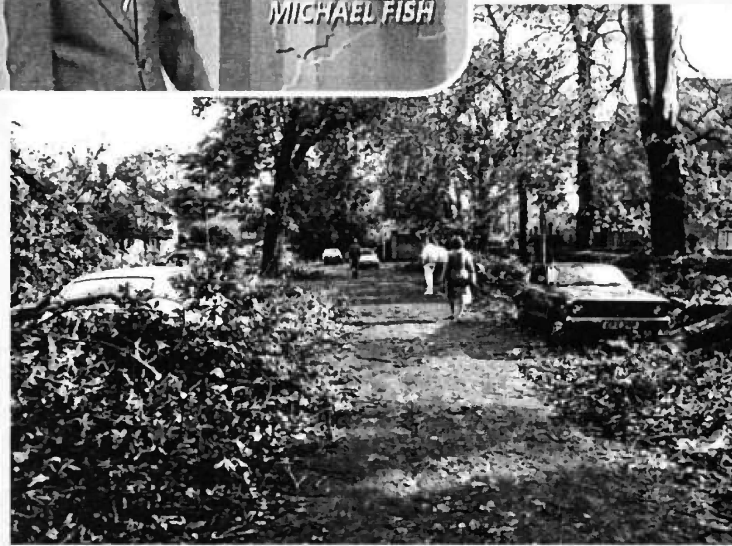
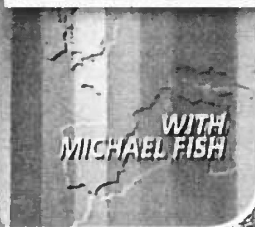
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b **iChecker** Listen and check. Then listen and repeat the reporting verbs.

## 5 LISTENING

a **iChecker** Listen to an extract from a programme about a famous mistake on TV. Answer the questions.

- 1 During which programme did the mistake occur?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 In which year did the mistake occur? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Who is Michael Fish? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 What did the woman ask about when she called?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 What was Michael's answer?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 How strong were the worst winds?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 How many people died in the storm?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 How many trees fell down? \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Where did Michael Fish appear in 2012?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Where can you see the original weather broadcast made by Michael Fish? \_\_\_\_\_



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## USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

celebrity gossip /sə'lebrəti 'gɒsɪp/

copyright /'sensəʃɪp/

skip (a section of the newspaper) /skɪp/

sports results /spɔ:ts rɪ'zʌltz/

the latest news /ðə 'leɪtɪst nju:z/

the media /ðə 'mi:diə/

print newspaper /prɪnt 'nju:zpeɪpə/

online newspaper /ɒn'laɪn 'nju:zpeɪpə/

private life /'praɪvət laɪf/