

UNIT TEST 12

SECTION A: GRAMMAR

1 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Last night my house was burgled, and I came home before the robbers had left. If I ¹ _____ (not go out), none of this ² _____ (happen). You see, I went out in a rush and I forgot to lock the back door. The burglars had been watching the house and they had seen me leave in a hurry. If my mother ³ _____ (not call) to ask me to get some medicine for her, I'm sure I ⁴ _____ (not be) burgled. I ⁵ _____ (not walk) straight in the front door and been confronted by a man flying down the stairs carrying a rucksack if I ⁶ _____ (notice) the light on upstairs. The man pushed me over and slammed the door behind him. If he ⁷ _____ (not push) me down, I ⁸ _____ (see) the second burglar coming down the stairs. He tried to push me aside, but the door was stuck and he couldn't escape. He was just about to kick me when, somehow, I found the strength to move. I ⁹ _____ (end up) in hospital if I ¹⁰ _____ (not move). Luckily, I caught his leg and he fell, knocking himself out on the hall table. I rushed to my neighbour's and called the police. Well, at least my mother got her medicine and is feeling better now. More than I can say for myself!

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2 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use modal verbs.

- They spoke to you in a bad way, which was wrong. They _____ to you like that.
- They didn't get in through the front door because it was locked. They _____ through the front door.
- The thieves broke in because they knew you were out that night. The thieves _____ that you were out that night.
- It's possible she recognised the burglars. She _____ the burglars.
- We didn't tell everyone before we started, which was a mistake. We _____ everyone before we started.

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SECTION B: VOCABULARY

3 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- The police *convicted / charged / proved* the man with stealing a brand new Mercedes.
- The *lawyer / judge / jury* couldn't decide if the man was guilty or not.
- He had already *committed / convicted / made* several crimes before this one.
- There have been *complex / unconfirmed / unwise* sightings of the escaped prisoner in Scotland, America and Australia.
- His business partner knew his secret and was using *blackmail / bribery / smuggling* to get money from him.
- The jury *convicted / witnessed / charged* the man of robbing the bank.
- An old man was *blackmailed / stalked / mugged* in the town centre and had all his money stolen. He's recovering in hospital.
- The police have just *arrested / smuggled / committed* the man who attacked a policeman.

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4 Complete the text with the words in the box. You don't need all the words.

criminal tradition relationship career vandalism
vicious genetic battering masked crime

The centre of Hoptown is very poor and most of the empty buildings have been targets of ¹ _____. There is a long ² _____ in this town of young people getting into trouble and, for most, it seems to be a ³ _____ circle – no sooner have they been let out of prison than they are back in again. You can hardly say it's a ⁴ _____ decision – there is little work available and young kids walk around the streets looking for trouble. Last night a group of teenagers with battering rams broke down the door to the main post office and robbed it. There seems to be a close ⁵ _____ between run-down towns and crime. I do not believe that ⁶ _____ behaviour is the result of a ⁷ _____ link, but where you live certainly seems to have a lot to do with it.

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SECTION C: INTEGRATED SKILLS

5 Complete the essay with phrases a–j.

Crime levels in big cities around the world are on the increase. Why is this? Crime levels seem to be rising in cities across the world, '_____. This essay will focus on possible reasons for this rise _____.

_____ that the rising number of people moving to cities is one major cause. These people mainly come from rural areas or other countries. _____ of the sudden increase in the local population, there is pressure on housing and employment. Therefore, in order to pay for their basic daily requirements, some people may be turning to crime. _____ for the increase in crime levels is that there tend to be more drug addicts in cities. This is an expensive addiction, _____, so they often steal to fund their habit.

_____, if people keep pouring into cities without a job to go to, then crime rates will continue to rise. _____, national and local governments need to look at ways of either stopping large numbers of people migrating to cities or _____. In addition, there could be more help for drug addicts so that their addiction does not force them into crime. _____, then more people will be able to support themselves without turning to crime, which should help to reduce the problem in our cities.

- a It can be argued
- b If all these things can be done
- c which addicts can rarely afford
- d Another reason
- e providing work and accommodation for them
- f In my opinion
- g Consequently
- h causing concern for both residents and police.
- i As a result
- j and suggest some solutions

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