



Level 3 Diploma in Criminology  
Summer Transition Work  
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# Criminology Summer Work

So, you want to study Criminology at UCB6?? Have a go at these activities over the summer holidays to prepare you for starting the course in September. Your teacher will be checking that you have completed the activities, so remember to bring this with you on your first lesson.

## Task 1: Criminal Case Study



Research a crime/criminal of your choice. This could be a financial crime, state crime, homicide, serial crime – anything! You can watch Netflix documentaries etc, or by scanning the QR code, it will take you to the Real Stories outube channel where there are hundreds of cases to choose from. You will need to cross reference the information from a selection of sources to make sure you have the correct details. Fill out the casefile below on what you have found out:

### Name of the offender(s):

Key information about the offender(s), who were they, what was their background?

A summary of what crimes they committed

Why did they commit their crime(s)? Were there any clues in their childhood? Did they have any biological issues (brain damage, relatives who also committed crime)? What were their life circumstances at the time the crime was committed?

Did they receive any punishment? If so, what was it?

## Task 2: Crimes in your local area

Using the West Midlands Police Crime Map, that you can reach by scanning the following QR code. Research the following statistics for either your local area, or city centre Birmingham



1. What is the most common crime that has been reported? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What % of crimes reported are a moral crime? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Over the last 3 years have the number of crimes reported, increased or decreased?  
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4. How many crimes has the offender been given a caution? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Is the data that the police have reported an accurate representation of the crimes that are happening? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Why might individuals choose not to report a crime? \_\_\_\_\_  
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