**7** Law and order

Glossary

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* 1. **law and order** (expr) /ˌlɔː ənd ˈɔːdə(r)/

the situation in which people obey laws and rules ● *It is the job of the police to maintain law and order.* ❖ ordine pubblico

* 1. **Yeoman Warder** (n) /ˌjəʊmən ˈwɔːdə(r)/

a guard at the Tower of London ● *Yeoman Warders have been guarding this tower for more than 500 years.* ❖ guardia reale

Reading **Pages 78–79**

* 1. **bird of paradise** (n) /ˌbɜːd əv ˈpærədaɪs/

a bird with very brightly coloured feathers, found mainly in New Guinea ● *Most people find birds of paradise very exciting.* ❖ uccello del paradiso

* 1. **hook** (n) /hʊk/

a curved piece of metal or plastic used for hanging things on or catching fish ● *You can hang your coat on the hook behind the door.*

* + - uncino
  1. **artificial** (adj) /ˌɑːtɪˈfɪʃəl/

not natural, made by people ● *Those are artificial flowers; you don’t need to water them!*

* + - artificiale
  1. **feather** (n) /ˈfeðə(r)/

one of the many soft, light parts that cover a bird’s body ● *The bird had grey and black feathers.* ❖ piuma

* 1. **smash** (v) /smæʃ/

break sth into many small pieces ● *He smashed the window with a brick and escaped.*

* + - frantumare
  1. **stuffed** (adj) /stʌft/

(of birds or animals) filled with special material so that it looks the same as when it was alive

* *She had a stuffed dog that looked like it was sleeping.* ❖ impagliato
  1. **priceless** (adj) /ˈpraɪsləs/

so valuable that you can’t calculate its price

* *Their collection of Chinese vases is priceless.*
  + - senza prezzo ✎ Opp: valueless, worthless
  1. **break into** (phr v) /breɪk ɪntə/

enter (a building) or open (a car) by force, usually in order to steal things ● *They broke into the flat through the window and took everything!*

* + - entrare, scassinare ✎ Syn: burgle
  1. **collector** (n) /kəˈlektə(r)/

sb who collects valuable or interesting things

* *The painting was sold to a collector for a million dollars.* ➣ collect (v), collection (n)
  + - collezionista
  1. **check (sth) out** (phr v) /tʃek (ˈsʌmθɪŋ) aʊt/ examine sth (a place or an object) in order to learn about it ● *We need to check out the restaurant before we book a table.*
     + controllare, verificare
  2. **break-in** (n) /ˈbreɪkɪn/

the act of entering a building illegally usually by damaging a door or window ● *Sam has been acting weirdly after the break-in. I think he’s worried it’ll happen again.* ➣ break in (phr v)

* + - ingresso tramite scasso
  1. **go off** (phr v) /gəʊ ɒf/

start to ring loudly or make a loud noise

* *The alarm will go off if it detects smoke.*
  + - scattare
  1. **security guard** (n) /sɪˈkjʊərɪti ˌɡɑːd/ someone whose job is to protect a building, a person or money from attacks or danger
* *The security guards didn’t let anyone enter the building.* ❖ vigilante
  1. **contribute** (v) /kənˈtrɪbjuːt/

give sth (usually money) to help sb achieve sth

* *My family contributed 100 pounds to the earthquake fund.* ➣ contribution (n), contributor (n) ❖ contribuire
  1. **mercury** (n) /ˈmɜːkjəri/

a heavy, silver coloured liquid metal ● *Mercury was used in old thermometers.* ❖ mercurio

* 1. **blow a hole in sth** (expr) /bləʊ ə həʊl ɪn ˈsʌmθɪŋ/ cause serious damage or harm to sth ● *She blew a hole in my argument when she said the data*

*I used weren’t correct.* ❖ sgonfiare, far crollare

* 1. **raise a question** (expr) /reɪz ə ˈkwestʃn/ ask a question that you feel should be dealt

with ● *They raised a lot of questions about the new rules.* ❖ sollevare una domanda

* 1. **eggshell** (n) /ˈeɡʃel/

the hard outside covering of an egg ● *There were bits of broken eggshell in my omelette.*

* + - guscio d'uovo
  1. **commit** (v) /kəˈmɪt/

do sth wrong or illegal ● *He committed a number of crimes before the police caught him.*

➣ commission (n) ❖ commettere

* 1. **wonder** (n) /ˈwʌndə(r)/

a feeling of great surprise and admiration

* *Looking at the night sky always fills me with wonder.* ➣ wonder (v), wonderful (adj)
  + - meraviglia

Vocabulary **Page 80**

* 1. **accuse** (v) /əˈkjuːz/

say that sb has done sth wrong or illegal ● *He accused me of lying, but I was telling the truth.*

➣ accuser (n), accusation (n) ❖ accusare

* 1. **suspect** (v) /səˈspekt/

believe that sb has done sth wrong or illegal

* *The police suspect him of selling stolen goods.* ➣ suspect (n), suspicion (n), suspicious (adj) ❖ sospettare
  1. **fine** (n) /faɪn/

an amount of money that you have to pay if you don’t obey a rule or law ● *You have to pay a fine if you return books to the library late.*

➣ fine (v) ❖ multa

* 1. **guilty** (adj) /ˈɡɪlti/

responsible for breaking the law ● *He was found guilty and was sent to prison.* ➣ guilt (n)

* + - colpevole ✎ Opp: innocent
  1. **speed** (v) /spi:d/

drive faster than the speed limit ● *The police stopped him for speeding as he was 20 miles over the speed limit.* ❖ velocizzare

* 1. **sentence** (n) /ˈsentəns/

the punishment you get for doing sth illegal

* *He got a three-year prison sentence for his crime.* ➣ sentence (v) ❖ frase
  1. **confess** (v) /kənˈfes/

admit that you have done sth wrong or illegal

* *She confessed that she had stolen the money.* ➣ confession (n) ❖ confessare
  1. **trial** (n) /traɪəl/

the procedure of examining the evidence in a court to decide if someone is guilty or not

* *The defence called a number of witnesses in the trial.* ➣ try (v) ❖ processo
  1. **break the law** (expr) /breɪk ðe lɔ:/

do sth illegal ● *You broke the law, so now you must be punished.* ❖ infrangere la legge

* 1. **court** (n) /kɔːt/

the place where crimes are judged ● *They didn’t have enough evidence to bring the case to court.* ❖ tribunale

* 1. **take (sb) to court** (expr) /teɪk (sʌmbədi) tə kɔːt/ take legal action against sb ● *They said they would take me to court if I didn’t pay by the end of the week.* ❖ portare in tribunale
  2. **burglary** (n) /ˈbɜːɡləri/

the crime of breaking into a building and stealing things ● *The police are investigating two burglaries in our building.* ➣ burgle (v), burglar (n) ❖ furto in appartamento

* 1. **investigation** (n) /ɪnˌvestɪˈɡeɪʃn/

the act of examining sth carefully to discover the truth ● *All the people that were present during the crime are under investigation.*

➣ investigate (v), investigator (n)

* + - indagine
  1. **scene** (n) /siːn/

the place where sth happened

* *The police arrived at the scene of the crime immediately.* ❖ scena
  1. **suspicious** (adj) /səˈspɪʃəs/

making you feel that sth is wrong or illegal

* *If you see anything suspicious, you should inform the police immediately.* ➣ suspect (v), suspicion (n), suspect (n) ❖ sospetto
  1. **fingerprint** (n) /ˈfɪŋɡəprɪnt/

the mark made by the pattern of lines on the tip of sb’s finger, which can identify that person

* *The criminal left his fingerprints on the gun, so the police caught him.* ❖ impronta digitale
  1. **windowsill** (n) /ˈwɪndəʊsɪl/

a shelf just below a window ● *He’s got a couple of plants in pots on the windowsill.*

* + - davanzale
  1. **innocent** (adj) /ˈɪnəsənt/

not guilty ● *He said that he was innocent, but I knew he had committed the crime.*

➣ innocence (n) ❖ innocente

* 1. **suspect** (n) /ˈsʌspekt/

a person that is believed to have done sth wrong or to have committed a crime ● *The police are investigating a number of suspects.*

* + - sospettato
  1. **eventually** (adv) /ɪˈventʃuəli/

at the end of a period of time ● *Our train eventually arrived two hours later.*

* + - finalmente
  1. **arrest** (n) /əˈrest/

the act of taking sb to a police station and keeping them there because they could be guilty of a crime ● *The police finally made an arrest after a very long investigation.*

➣ arrest (v) ❖ arresto

* 1. **case** (n) /keɪs/

a person, problem or series of events that the police are dealing with ● *Detective Madsen is responsible for the case of the missing child.*

* + - caso
  1. **jury** (n) /ˈdʒʊəri/

a group of people who listen to all the facts in a trial and decide if a person is innocent or guilty

* *Members of the jury must listen to everyone and try to be objective.* ❖ giuria
  1. **proof** (n) /pruːf/

facts or information that show sth is true

* *They all believe she is guilty, but they don’t have any proof.* ➣ prove (v) ❖ prova
  1. **sentence** (v) /ˈsentəns/

state the punishment given to a guilty person in a trial ● *The judge sentenced the thief to two years in prison.* ❖ condannare

* 1. **graffiti** (n) /ɡrəˈfiːti/

words and/or drawings on walls in public places ● *The front wall of the building was covered with graffiti.* ❖ murales

* 1. **robbery** (n) /ˈrɒbəri/

the crime of stealing from a person, bank or shop ● *There have been three bank robberies in the area recently.* ➣ rob (v), robber (n)

* + - furto
  1. **community service** (n) /kəˌmjuːnəti ˈsɜːvɪs/ work that you do without payment to help other people ● *The judge ordered him to perform 100 hours of community service and pay the costs of the trial.* ❖ lavoro socialmente utile
  2. **offence** (n) /əˈfens/

an illegal act ● *Parking on double yellow lines is an offence.* ➣ offend (v), offender (n)

* + - violazione
  1. **import** (v) /ɪmˈpɔːt/

bring a product or service from another country into the country ● *Many European countries import cars from Japan.* ➣ import (n)

* + - importare ✎ Opp: export

**Crime-related collocations**

accuse sb of a crime find sb guilty / innocent break the law of a crime

commit a crime / an investigate a crime offence receive a sentence

confess to a crime suspect sb of a crime do / perform community take sb to court

service try sb in court

Grammar **Page 81**

* 1. **vandal** (n) /ˈvændl/

a person who deliberately damages other people’s property ● *The vandals threw stones at the building.* ➣ vandalise (v), vandalism (n)

* + - vandalo
  1. **burgle** (v) /ˈbɜːɡl/

break into a building and steal ● *Since we were burgled, I don't sleep well.* ➣ burglary (n), burglar (n) ❖ svaligiare

* 1. **repay** (v) /rɪˈpeɪ/

pay back ● *He repaid his mother the money that she had lent him.* ❖ ripagare

* 1. **officer** (n) /ˈɒfɪsə(r)/

a member of the police ● *Two officers arrived five minutes after I called 112.* ❖ ufficiale

* 1. **bystander** (n) /ˈbaɪˌstændə(r)/

a person who sees sth that is happening but does not take part ● *She did nothing; she remained a bystander throughout the scene.*

* + - spettatore, passante
  1. **hijack** (v) /ˈhaɪdʒæk/

take control of an aircraft or other vehicle by force ● *Three armed men hijacked the plane and demanded a million euros.* ➣ hijacking (n), hijacker (n) ❖ dirottare

* 1. **ransom** (n) /ˈrænsəm/

a sum of money that a criminal demands in exchange for sb/sth they have taken ● *As soon as the ransom was paid, the teenager was set free.* ❖ riscatto

* 1. **raging** (adj) /ˈreɪdʒɪŋ/

very strong or extreme ● *I rushed to the dentist with a raging toothache.* ❖ violento

* 1. **be familiar with** (phr) /bi: fəˈmɪliə wɪð/ know sb/sth well ● *I am familiar with this software, I’ve used it many times.*
     + conoscere, avere familiarità
  2. **uncover** (v) /ʌnˈkʌvə(r)/

discover sth hidden or secret ● *The investigation uncovered evidence that she was not guilty.* ❖ scoprire

* 1. **suspend** (v) /səˈspend/

stop for a short time or for ever ● *The ferry service has been suspended because of the storm.* ➣ suspension (n) ❖ sospendere

Listening **Page 82**

* 1. **attitude** (n) /ˈætɪtʃuːd/

a feeling or opinion about sb/sth ● *She has a very serious attitude to learning; she doesn’t think learning can be fun.* ❖ atteggiamento

* 1. **co-operation** (n) /kəʊˌɒpərˈeɪʃn/

the act of working together ● *The school emphasised the need for co-operation between teachers and parents.* ➣ co-operate (v),

co-operative (adj) ❖ cooperazione

* 1. **attacker** (n) /əˈtækə(r)/

a person who uses violence to hurt sb else

* *The police arrested her attacker and charged him with attempted murder.* ➣ attack (n, v)
  + - aggressore
  1. **sympathetic** (adj) /ˌsɪmpəˈθetɪk/

showing that you understand and care about the problems of sb else ● *She was very sympathetic when she found out I was ill.*

➣ sympathise (v), sympathy (n) ❖ empatico

* 1. **police van** (n) /pəˈliːs væn/

a vehicle used by the police for the transport of prisoners ● *The suspects were thrown into the police van.* ❖ furgone della polizia

* 1. **on horseback** (phr) /ɒn ˈhɔːsbæk/

riding a horse ● *The remote village can only be reached on horseback.* ❖ a cavallo

Speaking **Page 83**

* 1. **satisfying** (adj) /ˈsætɪsfaɪɪŋ/

pleasant because it provides sth you need

* *I hope you will find your stay here a satisfying experience.* ❖ soddisfacente, piacevole
  1. **demanding** (adj) /dɪˈmɑːndɪŋ/

that needs a lot of your time and energy ● *It’s a very demanding job, but it is also very well paid.* ❖ esigente, faticoso

* 1. **forensic** (adj) /fəˈrenzɪk/

connected with the scientific methods police use to solve crimes ● *Forensic evidence has shown that there was a large amount of poison in the victim’s stomach.* ❖ forense

* 1. **on balance** (phr) /ɒn ˈbæləns/

after considering all the facts and views ● *We may have had some problems, but, on balance, it hasn’t been a bad year.* ❖ tutto considerato

Grammar **Page 84**

* 1. **install** (v) /ɪnˈstɔːl/

put (a machine, piece of equipment, computer program) into its proper position and make

it ready to use ● *I installed a new antivirus program on my computer.* ➣ installation (n)

* + - installare
  1. **victim** (n) /ˈvɪktɪm/

sb that has been hurt, has suffered or has been killed because of the actions of sb else or because of illness or a disaster ● *The victim of the attack suffered injuries to his face and arms.* ❖ vittima

* 1. **order** (v) /ˈɔːdə(r)/

tell sb to do sth ● *The officer ordered the thief to put down his weapon.* ➣ order (n)

* + - ordinare
  1. **fit** (v) /fɪt/

put or fix something in its right position ● *They have fitted burglar alarms to all the doors and windows.* ❖ installare

* 1. **account** (n) /əˈkaʊnt/

an arrangement with a bank to keep your money there ● *I paid the money they gave me into my bank account.* ❖ conto

* 1. **knock (sth) down** (phr v) /nɒk (ˈsʌmθɪŋ) daʊn/ destroy and remove a wall or building ● *It only took us a couple of hours to knock down the wall between the kitchen and the living room.*
     + demolire
  2. **defend** (v) /dɪˈfend/

act as a lawyer for sb that has been accused and try to prove that they are innocent

* *The mafia boss has employed the country’s top lawyers to defend him.* ➣ defence (n), defendant (n) ❖ difendere
  1. **criminal record** (n) /ˌkrɪmɪnl ˈrekɔːd/

an official record of any crimes a person has committed ● *It wasn’t at all easy for him to find a job because of his criminal record.*

* + - precedente penale
  1. **personal assistant** (n) /ˈpɜːsənl əˈsɪstənt/

sb whose job is to help sb in a higher position (for example, by answering calls and emails, arranging meetings, etc.) ● *I’m afraid you can’t talk to the President, but I’ll put you through to her personal assistant.* ❖ assistente personale

Use your English **Page 85**

* 1. **burn (sth) down** (phr v) /bɜ:n (ˈsʌmθɪŋ) daʊn/ destroy sth by fire ● *The fire burned the building down completely.* ❖ distruggere, radere al suolo
  2. **run away** (phr v) /rʌn əˈweɪ/

leave a place quickly ● *The thief took the money and ran away before we could do anything.* ❖ scappare

* 1. **see through** (phr v) /si: θru:/

realise the truth about sb/sth without being deceived ● *She pretended to be very friendly, but luckily I saw through her right from the start.* ❖ capire, vedere sotto la vera luce

* 1. **see to** (phr v) /si: tə/

do sth that has to be done ● *I got my personal assistant to see to all the arrangements for the meeting.* ❖ occuparsi

* 1. **pretend** (v) /prɪˈtend/

behave as if something is true although you know that it is not ● *I pretended to be asleep, but heard everything that they said.*

➣ pretence (n) ❖ fingere

* 1. **vandalise** (v) /ˈvændəlaɪz/

damage public property without a good reason

* *A group of young people vandalised the statues with paint.* ➣ vandal (n), vandalism (n)
  + - compiere atti vandalici
  1. **bus shelter** (n) /ˈbʌs ˌʃeltə(r)/

a bus stop with a roof ● *It was raining, so I waited in a bus shelter.* ❖ pensilina

* 1. **siren** (n) /ˈsaɪərən/

a device that makes a long loud sound

* *All the cars stopped at the sound of the ambulance siren.* ❖ sirena
  1. **deliberately** (adv) /dɪˈlɪbərətli/

in a planned way, not by accident ● *She deliberately avoided answering the question as she didn’t want to tell the truth.* ➣ deliberate (adj) ❖ deliberatamente

* 1. **keep an eye on** (expr) /ki:p ən aɪ ɒn/ watch sb/sth to make sure that there are no

problems ● *Can you keep an eye on your little sister while I’m out?* ❖ tenere d'occhio

* 1. **make a fool of myself** (expr) /meɪk ə fu:l əv maɪˈself/

behave in a way that makes other people think you are stupid ● *He didn’t think before he spoke and quickly made a fool of himself.*

* + - rendersi ridicoli
  1. **lose track of** (expr) /lu:z træk əv/

not be able to find any more information about what is happening or where sb/sth is ● *I lost track of him after he moved to Australia.*

* + - perdere le tracce di
  1. **change my ways** (expr) /tʃeɪndʒ maɪ weɪz/ improve those aspects of your behaviour that aren’t good ● *He was often in trouble with the police when he was younger, but now he’s changed his ways.* ❖ cambiare, migliorarsi
  2. **give (sth) a go** (expr) /gɪv (ˈsʌmθɪŋ) ə gəʊ/ make an attempt, try sth ● *I’m not sure her advice is good, but I’ll give it a go.*
     + provare
  3. **couldn’t care less** (expr) /kʊdnt keə les/

not care at all ● *He said he will never speak to me again, but I couldn’t care less.*

* + - non potrebbe importarmene meno
  1. **justice is done** (expr) /ˈdʒʌstɪs ɪz dʌn/

people are treated/punished fairly ● *They went to prison for ten years so justice was done.*

* + - giustizia è fatta
  1. **faulty** (adj) /ˈfɒlti/

not made correctly and/or not working correctly

* *The machine was faulty, so we returned it.*
  + - guasto

Writing **Pages 86–87**

* 1. **transactional** (adj) /trænˈzækʃənəl/ communicating for a specific purpose ● *The aim of the letter is transactional, as the writer wants the reader to do something for her.*

➣ transaction (n) ❖ transazionale

* 1. **discursive** (adj) /dɪˈskɜːsɪv/

involving discussion of views and opinions

* *In a discursive essay, you should present your views on a topic.* ❖ digressivo
  1. **litter** (n) /ˈlɪtə(r)/

pieces of rubbish that people have left on the ground in a public place ● *The streets were very dirty and full of litter.* ➣ litter (v) ❖ rifiuti

* 1. **force** (n) /fɔːs/

a group of people organised for a particular purpose ● *Jane is a member of our sales force.* ❖ forza

* 1. **inspect** (v) /ɪnˈspekt/

look at sb/sth carefully to check that everything is ΟΚ ● *She inspected the car before she bought it.*

➣ inspection (n), inspector (n) ❖ ispezionare

* 1. **firmly** (adv) /ˈfɜːmli/

strongly ● *‘I am never going to accept that,’ he said firmly.* ❖ fermamente

* 1. **appreciate** (v) /əˈpriːʃieɪt/

be thankful for ● *I appreciate all your efforts to help me.* ➣ appreciation (n) ❖ apprezzare

* 1. **flexible** (adj) /ˈfleksəbl/

able to change easily depending on the situation ● *Our plans are quite flexible, so feel free to tell us if you think something should change.* ➣ flexibility (n) ❖ flessibile

* 1. **hear from** (phr v) /hɪə frəm/

get a letter, email or phone call from sb ● *I hadn’t heard from her for ages and suddenly she called me this morning.* ❖ sentire (qualcuno)

* 1. **sincerely** (adv) /sɪnˈsɪəli/

honestly ● *I sincerely apologise for my mistake.* ❖ sinceramente

**LOOK!**

**Phrasal verbs**

break into sth burn sth down check sth out clean sth up go off

knock sth down let sb off

run away

see through sb/sth see to sth

We can use the phrases *Yours faithfully* and *Yours sincerely* at the end of a formal letter or email, before our signature or our name. We use *Yours faithfully* when we don’t know the recipient and *Yours sincerely* when we know the recipient.

*Dear Sir or Madam, Dear Ms Cavill,*

*… …*

*Yours faithfully, Yours sincerely,*

*Jane Morton Jane Morton*

* 1. **reckon** (v) /ˈrekən/

think or believe ● *I reckon you’ve already told them about the problem.* ❖ supporre

* 1. **faithfully** (adv) /ˈfeɪθfəli/

truly and accurately ● *I followed her instructions as faithfully as I could.*

* + - fedelmente
  1. **charge** (v) /tʃɑːdʒ/

ask for money for a service ● *I think 100 euros is too much to charge for a simple haircut.*

* + - far pagare, addebitare
  1. **fee** (n) /fi:/

a sum of money you pay for a service

* *I had to pay quite a large fee to the lawyer.*
  + - costo

Live well, study well

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* 1. **go with the flow** (expr) /gəʊ wɪð ðə fləʊ/ be relaxed and do what seems to be the easiest thing to do ● *I think you should stop complaining and just go with the flow.*
     + lasciarsi trasportare
  2. **flow** (n) /fləʊ/

the continuous movement of sth in the same direction ● *The police were trying to improve the traffic flow.* ➣ flow (v) ❖ flusso

* 1. **voluntary** (adj) /ˈvɒləntri/

done willingly and without getting paid ● *She does voluntary work at the local hospital once a week.* ➣ volunteer (n, v), voluntarily (adv)

* + - volontario, di volontariato
  1. **survey** (n) /ˈsɜːveɪ/

an examination of people’s opinions that you make by asking them questions ● *They are conducting a survey to find out the customers’ views on the services they provide.* ➣ survey

(v) ❖ indagine, sondaggio

* 1. **set (sth) aside** (phr v) /set (ˈsʌmθɪŋ) əˈsaɪd/ keep sth so that you can use it later for a particular purpose ● *I try to set aside a couple of hours a day for exercise.* ❖ mettere da parte
  2. **stick to** (phr v) /stɪk tə/

continue trying to do sth even if it is difficult

* *I find it hard to stick to a diet, but I know that I must.* ❖ restare costanti