**CRIME REVISION BOOKLET.**

* THE KEY KNOWLEDGE COMES FIRST. USE THIS TO ANSWER QUESTIONS
* COMPLETE WORK WITHIN THE BOOKLET
* **Religion, crime and punishment**

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| **Crime** | When someone breaks the law |
| **Crimes against the person** | Offences causing direct harm to a person |
| **Crimes against the state** | Offences that affect the smooth running of the state |
| **Crimes against property** | Offences that damage or deprive people of their property |
| **Crimes against religion** | Rules set by religion that apply to their followers  |
| **Deterrence** | A punishment is unpleasant to put the offender of committing crimes in the future |
| **Retribution** | Punishment can be used to make the person pay for what they have done  |
| **Reformation** | Punishments try to change the person who has offended so they can still be part of society |
| **Custodial punishment** | When someone is detained e.g. in prison |
| **Non-custodial punishment** | A punishment that does not involve going to prison |
| **Community service** | Unpaid work for the community, an alternative to prison |
| **Corporal punishment** | Physical punishment e.g. caning or flogging  |
| **Repentance** | Recognise that you have done something wrong, to be truly sorry and want to change your behaviour |
| **Forgiveness** | accepting someone is sorry and giving them another chance  |

**Why should Christians follow the law?**

Follow them unless they are unjust. 10 commandments- given by god. Reflected in the state’s law. God has allowed the state to exist. Judged by god if you break it

**Good and evil and suffering**

We have free will so can choose to be good or bad. The bible and god help Christians to make moral decisions. Original sin explains why we have an urge to do bad things. It explains why there is evil in the world.

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| **Psychological reasons**- human nature can cause people to commit crime e.g. Greed, aggression, jealousy. Some people may have problems such as sociopaths and kleptomaniacs |
| **Social reasons-** some people break the law because they want to ‘fit in’ or are pressured by peers. They are trying to show off or prove themselves. |
| **Drug addiction-** the highest cause of crime. Gang crime is often drug related, addicts often commit crime to fund their habit. |
| **Environmental reasons-** where people live and their home background can influence people. Poverty and deprivation have been linked with some criminal activities. |

**Is community service a good punishment?**

* Reduces offending
* Is it harsh enough?
* Does it protect people?
* Cheaper than prison
* Pays back community
* Is it a deterrent?

**Is prison a good punishment?**

* Does it rehabilitate?
* Does it provide education?
* Can people get jobs after?
* Is it a deterrent?
* It is very expensive
* High reoffending rate
* Protects innocent civilians

**For/against the death penalty**

* Is it justice?
* They could be innocent
* Retribution
* It is a deterrent
* We have a right to life
* Painful death- not humane

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| **Why Christians should obey the law** | *‘Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established.’ Romans* | Must obey the law as God has made the laws and allowed the government to exist.  |
| **Why Christians should obey the law** | *‘We must obey God rather than men’ Acts* | Can disobey an unjust law and obey god |
| **Retribution and Forgiveness and death penalty OT** | *‘An eye for an eye’* | Retribution is acceptable, equal punishment for the crime. Death penalty is allowed in revenge, if you have taken someone’s life that should be your punishment |
| **No retribution- NT** | *If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also.* | Do not retaliate, violence and retribution is never the answer.  |
| **Corporal punishment- NT** | *Whoever spares the rod hates their children, but the one who loves their children is careful to discipline them.*  | Parents can use corporal punishment to help their children learn the right way to behave. It is a loving action.  |
| **Corporal punishment- NT** | *‘Punish them with the rod and save them from death’* | Corporal punishment is a good thing as it will teach them the right way to act and save them from making mistakes.  |
| **Corporal punishment- Judaism** | *“Have your left hand push away and your right hand bring closer. Judaism* | Every situation must be approached with love, the weaker hand disciplines, guided by the loving hand.  |
| **Corporal punishment- Judaism**  | *Story of the stubborn and rebellious child who the Torah says should be stoned to death. But the Rabbis created so many conditions for this that it could never actually happen.*  | It is wrong to inflict physical harm as a punishment, maybe the story is to scare people into behaving?  |
| **Forgiveness- NT** | *Story of the prodigal son* | Should always forgive people, again and again, as long as they are sorry for it |
| **Forgiveness or death penalty- NT** | *Story of the woman caught in adultery*  | Only people that have never sinned have the right to judge others. Judgement should be done by god. Against the death penalty |
| **Forgiveness or death penalty- NT** | *Forgive your brother 70 x 7* | Forgive people over and over again, no limit on forgiveness. The death penalty is wrong as this would not be forgiving them and accepting their repentance |
| **Forgiveness- OT**  | *Love thy neighbour* | Love and care for the people around you, accept their wrongdoings and support them |
| **Forgiveness- OT** | *Yom Kippur- God erases sins against god, you need to apologise to people you have wronged* | People that are truly repentant and try to make up for what they have done should be forgiven |
| **Death penalty- OT** | *Sanctity of life*  | Life is sacred, only god can take it away. Death penalty not permitted. |
| **Death penalty- OT** | *‘Thou shall not kill’* | One of the 10 commandments, a clear rule from God that life can never be taken away |
| **Death penalty- OT** | *Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed’* | If you take away someone’s life, your life also deserves to be taken away.  |
| **Death penalty- Judaism** | *Death penalty hardly ever imposed, need two witnesses, have to have warned the criminal and him accept their warning.*  | Conditions so strict to make sure that they could never take away a human life.  |

Crime Recap Homework Booklet

Week 1 – Christian view on crime (forgiveness)

Key quotes:

* ‘Forgive your brother 70x7’ This quote teaches us that………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..
* ‘Treat others as you would like to be treated’ This quote teaches us that……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

1) Give two religious beliefs about forgiveness (2) ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

2) Give two religious beliefs about people who commit crime (2) ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

3) Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about forgiveness. (4).

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more

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Week 2 – Why do people commit crime?

Remember that people may be forced to commit crime due to social factors, but also choose to commit crime due to unjust laws.

Key quotes:

* ‘He who is without sin will cast the first stone’ This quote teaches us that……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….
* ‘Love thy neighbour’ This quote teaches us that………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

1) Give two reasons why people commit crime )…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

2) Give two religious beliefs about how to treat those who have committed crime (2)

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In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more other religious traditions.

3) ‘It is never acceptable to break the law’ (12)

In your answer you:

• should give reasoned arguments in support of the statement

• should give reasoned arguments in support of a different point of view

• should refer to religious arguments

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Week 3 – Aims of punishment?

Key quotes:

* ‘an eye for an eye’ This quote teaches us that…………………………………………………………..
* ‘forgive your brother’ This quote teaches us that…………………………………………………………..

1) Give three aims of punishment (2)…………………………………………………

2) Explain two religious beliefs about the aims of punishment (2)

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In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more other religious traditions.

3) ‘Reformation is the best aim of punishment’ (12)

In your answer you:

• should give reasoned arguments in support of the statement

• should give reasoned arguments in support of a different point of view

• should refer to religious arguments

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Week 4 – death penalty

Key quotes:

* ‘thou shall not kill’ This quote teaches us that…………………………………………………………..

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* ‘an eye for an eye’ This quote teaches us that…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………
1. Give two religious beliefs about retribution (2) ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

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1. Give two religious beliefs about the death penalty (2) ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

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3) Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about the death penalty. (4).

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more

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Week 5 – are prisons a good punishment?

Key quotes:

* ‘he who is without sin shall cast the first stone’ This quote teaches us that……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..
* ‘turn the other cheek’ This quote teaches us that……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

1) Give three arguments that show prison is a good punishment (2)………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

2) Give three arguments against prison as a punishment (2)

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3) ‘Prison is the best aim of punishment’ (12)

In your answer you:

• should give reasoned arguments in support of the statement

• should give reasoned arguments in support of a different point of view

• should refer to religious arguments

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Week 6 – corporeal punishment

Key quotes:

* ‘he who spares the rod hates his child’ This quote teaches us that……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….
* ‘love thy neighbour’ This quote teaches us that………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….
1. Give two religious beliefs about corporeal punishment (2) ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

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1. Give two religious beliefs about how to treat criminal (2) ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

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3) Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about corporeal punishment. (4).

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more

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Week 7 – community service

Key quotes:

* ‘forgive your brother 70x7’ This quote teaches us that…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..
* The story of the prodigal son teaches us that………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

1) Give three arguments that show community service is a good punishment 2) ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

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2) Give three arguments against community service as a punishment (2)

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3) ‘Community service is the best aim of punishment’ (12)

In your answer you:

• should give reasoned arguments in support of the statement

• should give reasoned arguments in support of a different point of view

• should refer to religious arguments

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