

# Criminology Level 3 Extended Certificate Summer Work



Over the summer it's essential that all students prepare for their new courses, so that everyone can start college in a positive way.

Excellent Criminology students are always prepared for learning and are organised for every lesson. This summer work will get you ready for your Criminology course and ensure you can contribute to your first induction lesson.

## Link to Media

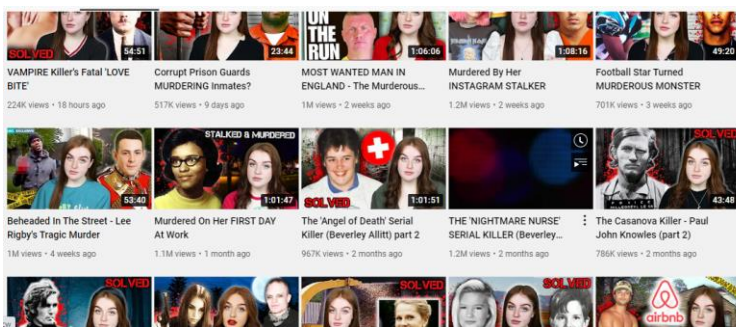
If you haven't got one already, download a news app to your phone. To study Criminology properly you must be aware of the news in regards to crime and be able to use your knowledge of contemporary news examples in your work and class discussions. We recommend the Guardian news app (scan the QR code or search online) where there is a Crime section, or the BBC app.



There are plenty of programmes on TV that are linked to crime, but try and watch the ones that are more connected to real life e.g. 24 hours in Police Custody (scan the QR code or search online). You will find the course more interactive if you have watched these programmes, and have an idea about what's going on in in society with regard to crime and justice today.



There are also several content creators on YouTube and Tik Tok who discuss true crime cases. You can even follow #TrueCrime on Tik Tok (scan the QR code or search online). Popular YouTube hosts such as Eleanor Neale also discuss True Crime cases which you may find interesting.



## true crime tik toks

466.7M views

Discover short videos related to true crime tik toks on TikTok. Watch popular content from the following creators: True Crime Jackie (@thejackiefloress), emily gregg (@wh0re4nickwi1de), MOAC (@mindofacriminal), E-C (@emersonokk), TrueCrimeLeyla (@truecrimeleyla), [See more](#)



[thejackiefloress](#) True Crime Jackie

what happened to Sofia Juarez? 😊 #truecrime #truecrimetiktok #truecrimecommunity ...

1.2M Likes, 3.3K Comments, TikTok video from True Crime Jackie...

11.3M views | original sound - True Crime Jackie

# Be Prepared

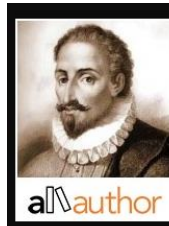
As a Level 3 student we expect you to develop the skills of independent learning, and this will be the biggest change from GCSE as you need to do a minimum of 4 hours a week private study for the best chance of success. Organisation is key to this, so please bring with you to your first lesson the items listed below:

- A4 Lever Arch folder
- A4 Dividers
- Lined paper
- Stationery e.g. pens, pencil, highlighters etc.
- Your summer work

*Teachers will check you have these things in your first induction lesson*

This summer work will also need to be handed into your teacher the FIRST lesson back. So please put that in your folder ready to bring it in.

As you are reading through the booklet, make sure you highlight key words as well as filling in the boxes and doing the research tasks.



**To be prepared is half the victory.**

**-Miguel De Cervantes**

Important Info – The Unit 1 controlled assessment (first unit of coursework) will be completed in your first term in college. A specific date will be given to you when you start the course, but this summer work will help this assessment.

The Criminology Team are looking forward to meeting you all during enrolment.

Have a great summer and stay safe!

**Social media and crime** *Since the creation of social media, there has been debates around the link between social media and crime.*

1. Using your own knowledge, the internet and the resources below, answer the following questions:

Resources:

<https://www.foxbusiness.com/economy/tiktok-social-media-fuel-performance-crime>

<https://www.news.com.au/technology/online/social/tik-tok-blamed-for-crime-spree-after-teens-commit-crimes-and-post-online/news-story/292231849aad76971dd8116afb05a160>

<https://soapboxie.com/social-issues/Tik-Tok-is-Turning-Kids-Into-Criminals>

<https://www.lawfirms.com/resources/technology-law/social-media-sites-serve-platforms-solving-crimes>

<https://online.maryville.edu/blog/a-guide-to-social-media-activism/>



What is performance crime?

Explain a real-life example of performance crime?

Other than performance crime, how else can social media be used to commit crime? Use a real-life example to explain this.

How can social media be used to prevent crime? Use a real life example to explain this.

How can social media be used to solve crime? Use a real life example to explain this.

2. Using your notes above, your own knowledge and the internet:

Describe the representation of crime on social media (6 marks)

- Make sure you include, how social media can be used:
  - o To commit crime
  - o To solve crime
  - o To prevent crime

Examples need to be used to help explain your ideas.

Make sure you type this on an A4 word document.

Approx 350 words. At least half a page size 12 font.

## Music and crime

Crime has been a popular subject for musicians for years. Vengeful lovers, gangsters, drug dealers, bank robbers, prisoners and many more criminal types have featured in song lyrics.

3. What have you heard about the link between music and crime? Use specific examples.



4. Listen to the songs attached using the links below or search the titles of the songs.

**Song 1: Crooks & Criminals – M37**

Song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dIoMJmksZd4>

Lyrics: <https://genius.com/M37-crooks-and-criminals-lyrics>



**Song 2: From South – Skengdo & AM**

Song: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3CNqQtW9O\\_8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3CNqQtW9O_8)

Lyrics: <https://genius.com/Skengdo-and-am-from-south-lyrics>



3. For each song, answer the following questions: Try and use lyrics as examples.

Questions	Crooks & Criminals	From South
What is the song about?		
What does the song tell the audience?		
Is it positive or negative?		

The two songs above are from a hip hop sub-genre called UK Drill Music.

What is Drill Music? Drill music is a sub-genre of Hip Hop, defined in Chicago, and then developed across the UK and worldwide. It is a combination of gritty sounding instrumentals and bold lyrics.



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4. Watch this short documentary and answer the following questions: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kno5T4y5SBY>

- Why do people think Drill music encourages violence?

- On the other hand, what does Drill music reflect?

- Why is Drill music so important to the people creating it?

5. Can you think of any other source of entertainment in the media that has been criticised for encouraging criminal behaviour? Give us specific examples.

Consider Gaming, Films, TV shows, Newspapers and any other media source you are aware of. If you are unsure, do some research online.



## AC1.5: Is what the media tells us about crime what's really happening?

Some of the topics you will be exploring this term is the media representation of crime and the impact of this on the public's understanding of crime.

Did you know that the Crime Survey for England and Wales found that 72% of people thought crime nationally had gone up, while 43% thought crime had gone up locally? This is not an accurate reflection of what statistics say.



6. Using this Guardian article (2011), make some notes in the boxes below:  
<https://www.theguardian.com/uk/2011/aug/04/public-perception-crime-higher>

What the public think:	What the statistics say: