

CRIMINOLOGY SUMMER LEARNING:

Look into two cases – Fred West & the Menedez Brothers

Complete some research on them. This can be done in any way that you would like. For example, watching a documentary on it, reading articles online or both (There are some links below to help you with your research!)

When you have done this, write a summary of the crime including:

- What happened
- Who was the victim
- Who was the suspect/offender
- What sentence was passed for this crime
- Do you think the offender got a just sentence? (sentence they deserved) Why?
- Do you think the victim, or their family got justice? Why?

Write a report that covers all of the above on each case and **bring along to your first Criminology lesson**. This will be used for discussion in class and submitted to your teacher for review.

You can be as creative as you want with your presentation of your research, and it can be handwritten if you would prefer.

READING LIST DOCUMENTARIES AND VIDEOS

Type the names of the cases you have been given into YouTube and see what you can find.

If you can, copy and paste the URL into your Criminology work, you may find some videos that we haven't seen before.

Below are some examples:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LuiHoQ6AnQA> – Menendez Brothers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xQaa4G0JZn8> – Netflix Trailer – Menendez Brothers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bc7Dzzrabx0> – Fred & Rose West: Love & Murder

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QX18_KDHddg – Netflix Trailer – Fred West

You can also include articles that you might find in the media about these cases.

BOOKS

If you are a keen reader, then there are lots of books that relate to what we will be studying in Criminology.

Here are some suggestions:

Any books by leading Criminologist David Wilson. He has also done some documentaries you could search on YouTube or BBC iPlayer.

A Few Kind Words and a Loaded Gun – Razor Smith – The autobiography of a career criminal.

Under the Wig – William Clegg QC – A book written by a criminal barrister about his experiences

Chris Atkins - A bit of a Stretch - Written by an acclaimed documentary-film maker about his real-life experience after he finds himself behind bars for tax fraud. His book documents his time in HMP Wandsworth

Criminology – Tim Newburn – This is an incredibly detailed textbook which is challenging. It is excellent but more for undergraduate level if you are considering taking Criminology further than A level.

Criminology Book 1 and Book 2 Napier Press – Webb and Townend – These are the textbooks we have used as part of the course. While you are not required to purchase a copy, you may wish to do so. Book 1 covers the first 2 units for Year 1 and book 2 the second 2 for Year 2.