

SUMMER LEARNING 2021

CRIMINOLOGY A LEVEL

1. [VIEW OUR COURSES HERE](#)

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3. Suggested reading list, websites, pod casts, films etc.

12 Angry Men (U)

Story line: A jury deliberates behind closed doors on the fate of someone accused of murder. One lone dissenter within the jury (played by Henry Fonda) pleads a compelling case to convince the other eleven jurors that this is not a clear-cut case, unveiling and challenging prejudices and preconceptions as they arise in the debate.

The Stanford Prison Experiment (15)

Story line: A film adaptation of a psychological experiment by Phillip Zimbardo into societal roles. Zimbardo assigns college students in America the role of either a prisoner or prison guard and places them in a mock prison to simply watch how they behave. What do you think will happen? What would you do in this situation?

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Bowling for Columbine (15)

Story line: Bowling for Columbine is a 2002 American documentary film written, produced, directed, and narrated by Michael Moore. The film explores what Moore suggests are the primary causes for the Columbine High School massacre in 1999 and other acts of violence with guns. Moore focuses on the background and environment in which the massacre took place and some common public opinions and assumptions about related issues. The film also looks into the nature of violence in the United States.

What are your opinions on why people partake in these acts of violence?

Documentaries

Amanda Knox– first watch the documentary on netflix then watch the [BBC documentary on youtube](#)

Record your views on the case following each documentary– did you notice any changes?

Any of the [documentaries in the BBC series](#) – Love and Hate crime

[Ross Kemp documentary on Prisons – Inside Belmarsh Prison](#)

If you have access to Netflix there are some recommendations here:

Killer: In the Mind of Aaron Hernandez

Ted Bundy

The Confession Killer

I am a Killer

Mindhunter

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Videos

Type criminology into YouTube and take your pick. There are TED Talks, CrashCourse videos and so much more. If you can, copy and paste the URL into your Criminology Media Project Review. Below are a few videos of specific events which are interesting and relevant to the criminology course we study. Some of these cases will be used as case studies in some of the unit work.

Mods & Rockers

Jamie Bulger – There's a number on this case

Young gunman Panorama

Hillsborough

OJ Simpson

if you have Netflix, please watch

Damilola Taylor

Stephen Lawrence

Timothy Evans (10 Rillington Place)

Sally Clark

Barry George

Babies behind bars

Harold Shipman (Dr Death)

Sarah Payne

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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

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 use as part of the course and what you will be asked to purchase for your study with us. Book 1 covers the first 2 units for Year 1 and book 2 the second 2 for Year 2.

4. A SUMMER LEARNING TASK