



# WJEC Criminology

## Pre-course work



### ***Pre-course expectations***

Success as a Sixth Form student is the result of the amount and quality of your independent learning and study. Therefore, it is essential that you start to develop your independent learning skills, in order to support your journey as a Sixth Form learner. This pre-course work provides an opportunity for you to make the best start to Criminology. Please complete the activities below and submit your finished learning to your teacher in your first Criminology lesson in September. If you have made a late change to your timetable, please complete this work within the first week of the course.

### ***Details of pre-course work***

Criminologists explore how serious crimes can cause society to change – this might be changes to the law or changes to people's opinions and attitudes. You need to investigate the following three murders, which all led to society changing in some way. These changes were created through the impact of campaigns and reports, which were started by the families of the victims.

The Murder of Stephen Lawrence and the *Macpherson Report*

The Murder of Sarah Payne and the Campaign for *Sarah's Law*

The Murder of James Bulger and the *Justice for James* Campaign

Using the information you have found in your investigation, create a case review for each crime. This review must include

- (1) an overview of the crime**, including what happened, the name of the victim, and the name of the offender
- (2) an explanation of the campaign which started as a result of the murder**, including who started the campaign and what the campaign aimed to achieve
- (3) a conclusion that explains how the crime and subsequent campaign changed society** – did it change a law or change people's opinions and attitudes?

We would expect a minimum of two pages of information.

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### *Resources to help you with this work*

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| Stephen Lawrence | <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-26465916">https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-26465916</a><br><a href="https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/stephen-lawrence-murder-25-years-changed-a-nation-police-institutional-racism-macpherson-anniversary-a8307871.html">https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/stephen-lawrence-murder-25-years-changed-a-nation-police-institutional-racism-macpherson-anniversary-a8307871.html</a><br><a href="https://www.thejusticegap.com/doreen-lawrence-the-mother-who-changed-the-justice-system/">https://www.thejusticegap.com/doreen-lawrence-the-mother-who-changed-the-justice-system/</a> |
| Sarah Payne      | <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2007/jun/14/ukcrime.immigrationpolicy1">https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2007/jun/14/ukcrime.immigrationpolicy1</a><br><a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-11427787">https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-11427787</a><br><a href="https://www.itv.com/news/2013-12-23/what-is-sarahs-law-background-to-the-nationwide-scheme/">https://www.itv.com/news/2013-12-23/what-is-sarahs-law-background-to-the-nationwide-scheme/</a>                                                                                                                                                         |
| James Bulger     | <a href="https://www.facebook.com/JamesBulgerCharity/">https://www.facebook.com/JamesBulgerCharity/</a><br><a href="https://www.itv.com/news/2013-07-04/timeline-of-events-following-murder-of-james-bulger/">https://www.itv.com/news/2013-07-04/timeline-of-events-following-murder-of-james-bulger/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

### *Stretch yourself*

Watch the following documentaries in order to stretch your understanding of how crimes can change society.

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| Julie Hogg           | <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zr1y030X3oE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zr1y030X3oE</a> |
| Suffragette Movement | <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D0QVQcckPDs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D0QVQcckPDs</a> |
| James Bulger         | <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrkQe4tyJnQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrkQe4tyJnQ</a> |