

## Bridging Unit Tasks: Applied Criminology

### Activity (pick three – one must be the top one!)

**Task 1 – media representation of crime:**

Choose one **factual** film/TV show to watch and one **fictional** film/TV show to watch from those listed below. Describe how crime is represented in each. In your descriptions you should cover:

- ✓ The type of crime that is shown in the film/TV show (e.g. fraud, theft, murder);
- ✓ The genre of the film/TV show (e.g. a comedy, a mystery, a documentary, etc.);
- ✓ Some key adjectives to describe how the crime is shown by the actors (e.g. glamorised, shocking, trivialised, realistic, etc.).
- ✓ An explanation for the adjectives used (e.g. what about the representation makes the crime appear realistic, dramatic, unrealistic, etc.)

**Please note: Some of these suggestions are not suitable for younger viewers and may include potentially upsetting images.**

Films		TV shows	
Fictional	Factual/ <u>based on true crimes</u>	Fictional	Factual/ <u>based on true crimes</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Catch me if you can (Amazon Prime/YouTube)</li> <li>• James Bond (any) (Amazon Prime / YouTube)</li> <li>• Mission Impossible (any) (YouTube)</li> <li>• Taken (Disney+)</li> <li>• Liar (Netflix)</li> <li>• Jack Reacher (Netflix)</li> <li>• Ocean’s 11/12/13 (Netflix)</li> <li>• Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri (Disney+)</li> <li>• I Care a Lot (Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• The Talented Mr. Ripley (Netflix)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spotlight (Netflix / YouTube)</li> <li>• Hotel Rwanda</li> <li>• Legend (Amazon Prime / YouTube)</li> <li>• Believe Me (Netflix)</li> <li>• Molly’s Game (Netflix / Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• The Bling Ring (Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• In the Name of the Father (Netflix)</li> <li>• JFK (Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• The Irishman (Netflix)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Line of Duty (BBC iPlayer / Netflix / Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• Death in Paradise (BBC iPlayer)</li> <li>• Innocent (ITV Hub)</li> <li>• Trigger Point (ITV Hub)</li> <li>• Money Heist (Netflix)</li> <li>• Brooklyn 99 (All 4 / Netflix)</li> <li>• The Fall (BBC iPlayer / Netflix / Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• Save Me (Amazon Prime / Sky)</li> <li>• Midsomer Murders (ITV Hub / Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• Shetland (BBC iPlayer)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inventing Anna (Netflix)</li> <li>• Quiz (Amazon Prime)</li> <li>• White House Farm (ITV Hub)</li> <li>• Stephen (ITV Hub)</li> <li>• Manhunt (ITV Hub)</li> <li>• The Pembrokeshire Murders (ITV Hub)</li> <li>• Des (ITV Hub)</li> <li>• The Killer Nanny: Did She Do It? (All 4)</li> <li>• Catching a Killer (All 4)</li> <li>• Murder in the Outback (All 4)</li> <li>• Deceit (All 4)</li> </ul>

**Task 2: Pick a crime and compare the statistics for this crime on these two websites. How are they similar/different?:**

- <https://www.police.uk/>
- <http://www.crimesurvey.co.uk/en/index.html>

**Task 3: Research and write a factfile on one or more of the following crimes to include: definition of the crime, typical victim, typical offender and a real life case study example**

- White collar crime
- State crime
- Cybercrime
- Hate crime
- Honour crime

**Task 4: Research one or more of the following campaigns for change and write a report on it to include: aim/purpose of campaign, techniques/media used in campaign to gain awareness, people involved in the campaign, plus was the campaign successful and why?**

- Sarah's Law
- Clare's Law
- Double Jeopardy Law
- The Snowdrop campaign
- Assisted dying campaign

**Task 5: Research and write an essay on one or more of the following titles:**

- Describe and evaluate biological explanations for crime.
- Describe and evaluate psychological explanations for crime.
- Describe and evaluate sociological explanations for crime.