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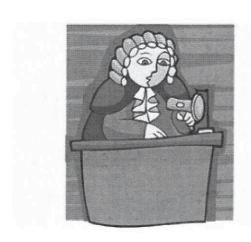
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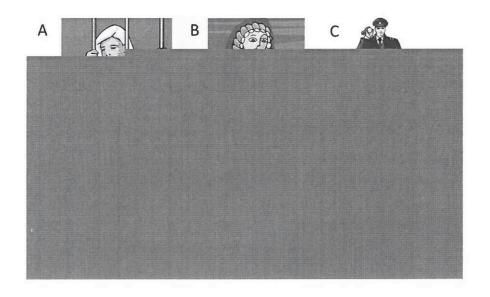
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# ESL Legal Vocabulary

When traveling abroad it is important to have a good ESL legal vocabulary. You hope you do not need to use it, but just in case you get into trouble or someone else needs your help, you should make sure you know plenty of vocabulary about the law.



This page will help you do this by giving you a list of vocabulary about the law and legal areas. The vocabulary given on this page will let you know and understand what is happening if someone commits a crime or you need to go to court. All of the items in the vocabulary list have a



# ESL Legal Vocabulary Picture Descriptions

Identify the best description for each of the images (A-E) given above that correspond to the five questions in this quiz.

- 1) Which description best describes picture  $\underline{A}$  given above?
  - A) O Burglary
  - B) O Case
  - C) OCriminal
  - D) OAssault
- 2) Which description best describes picture **B** given above?
  - A) O Expert witness
  - B) O Judge
  - C) O Dock
  - D) Operence attorney

3) Which description best describes picture $\underline{C}$ given above?
A) O Felony
B) O Jury
C) OPolice officer
D) O Homicide
4) Which description best describes picture $\underline{D}$ given above?
A) OLawyer
B) O Kidnap
C) Offence
D) OPerjury
5) Which description best describes picture $\underline{E}$ given above?
A) O Take the stand
B) O Vandalism
C) O Violate
D) OMurder
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**Probation:** A period of time where a criminal's behaviour is looked at closely and if they do anything wrong they can go back to prison. (noun)

**Prosecution:** The lawyers who are trying to prove a person is guilty. *(noun)* 

**Public gallery:** The area in a court room where people can sit and watch. *(noun)* 

**Robbery:** The crime of taking something that does not belong to you. *(noun)* 

**Shoplifting:** The crime of taking something from a shop without paying. *(noun)* 

**Smuggling:** The crime of bringing something into a country that is illegal or not paying taxes related to the items. *(noun)* 

**Solicitor:** A lawyer who can be consulted for advice and who prepares documents. *(noun)* 

Stand trial: To be prosecuted in front of a jury. (noun)

**Statement:** A formal description of what happened or was observed. *(noun)* 

**Stenographer:** The person who records every word spoken in a court. *(noun)* 

Sue: To start a legal claim against a person or entity. (verb)

Suspect: A person who is believed to have committed a crime. (noun)

**Take the stand:** To go to the front of the court room (the stand) and give evidence. *(verb)* 

**Terrorism:** The crime of using violence against people to achieve a specific goal. *(noun)* 

**Testify:** To give evidence in a court. (verb)

**The accused:** The person who is standing trial for committing a crime. *(noun)* 

The stand: The place at the front of the court room where witnesses stand to give evidence. (noun)

Theft: The crime of taking something that is not yours. (noun)

Trespass: The crime of entering an area or building without

permission. (noun)

**Trial:** The process of a jury listening to evidence and then giving a verdict. *(noun)* 

**Unanimous:** When everyone agrees with the same answer. (adjective)

Vandalism: The crime of damaging property. (noun)

**Verdict:** The final decision reached by a jury, normally 'guilty' or 'not

guilty'. (noun)

**Victim:** The person who has had a crime committed against them and who has suffered. *(noun)* 

Violate: To not follow rules that are specifically set. (verb)

Witness: A person who has information about a crime. (noun)

# Vocabulary Flashcards for Legal Words

The following free flashcards of the ESL legal vocabulary are for you to download and use. You can save a pdf of them by clicking the picture or link.

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