

Law and order, exercise 80.3

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Fill the gaps with suitable words, use the expressions from the text on law and order.

1. I have never _____ the law and _____ a crime.
2. In Britain it is _____ the law to drive a car without insurance.
3. If you park illegally you will have to pay a _____.
4. The police were fairly sure the man committed the crime, but they knew it would be difficult to _____ it in court.
5. The jury must decide if the accused is innocent or _____.
6. In order to reach their decision, the jury must listen carefully to the _____.
7. If the accused is _____ of murder, the _____ may be at least ten years in prison.
8. He has been in trouble with the police once before, but it was only a minor _____.

Crime – verbs

Use these verbs to complete the story:

arrested, charged, convicted, heard, questioned, suspected

A few months ago Ron was 1 by the police, who 2 him of being involved in a robbery at a local post office. He had been 3 previously of petty crime, but never anything serious. The police 4 him for several hours and finally 5 him with robbery. A few weeks later he got a letter saying that he had to appear in court the following month when his case would be 6

called, committed, defend, identified, pleaded, sentenced

Ron hired the best lawyer he could find to 7 him. He 8 not guilty. When he was 9 to give evidence, he said he had been somewhere else over 100 miles away when the crime was 10 Unfortunately for Ron, three witnesses 11 him as the man they had seen at the scene of the crime. He was found guilty and 12 to three years in prison.

Answer Key

Law and order

- 1 broken; committed
- 2 against
- 3 fine
- 4 prove
- 5 guilty
- 6 evidence
- 7 convicted; sentence
- 8 offence

Crime

- 1 arrested
- 2 suspected
- 3 convicted
- 4 questioned
- 5 charged
- 6 heard
- 7 defend
- 8 pleaded
- 9 called
- 10 committed
- 11 identified
- 12 sentenced