

Criminology

Time allowed: 1.5 hours (90 minutes)

Answer three questions

1. Discuss the ways in which gender roles and societal expectations influence criminal behavior and the criminal justice system's response.
2. A Conservative MP has called on the government to reintroduce hanging for people who commit violent crimes. John Hayes, MP for South Holland and the Deepings, and a former minister, asked justice secretary David Gauke to consider the "*potential merits*" of the death penalty. Discuss the role of the "death penalty" in the criminal justice system. What are the arguments for and against its use, and consider the ethical and practical implications of capital punishment.
3. Discuss the various factors that contribute to juvenile delinquency. How can the justice system effectively address and rehabilitate young offenders?
4. What is the relationship between substance abuse and crime? How does drug use and addiction contribute to criminal behavior, and what are the implications for the criminal justice system?
5. "*Though the term "hate crime" is used across jurisdictions, disciplines, and contexts, it is perhaps surprising that there is no uniform understanding of the term. For this reason, scholars, policy makers, and legislators can often speak at odds when discussing the issue, even within practice silos.*" (Schweppe, 2021). Discuss the concept of hate crimes. What are the motivations behind hate crimes, and what legal measures are in place to address them?
6. What are the challenges and opportunities associated with the use of technology in contemporary crime and criminal investigations? How has technology impacted the field of criminology?
7. Explore the connection between environmental harm and various forms of environmental crime. What are the motivations and consequences of crimes related to the environment, such as illegal dumping and wildlife trafficking?