

**Activity Worksheet and Quiz** 

Click on the link to view the video of the performance (YouTube)

#### Roles in a courtroom

Briefly describe what you think is the role of each of these people in a courtroom.

Judge	
Jury	
Prosecution	
Defence	
Barrister	
Defendant	
Witness	

Check your answers against the example answers at the end of the worksheet.



### **Terminology Quiz**

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In what years did these key things in criminal justice history happen?	☐ 1729 The Metropolitan Police was ☐ 1829 set up in London. ☐ 1929 ☐ 1944 The last person was executed ☐ 1954 in Britain.	
	☐ 1964 ☐ 1905 The first time fingerprints ☐ 1925 were used as evidence in a ☐ 1945 murder case in a British court.	
What crime is this a definition of: a person kills, but does so without the intent to kill or cause GBH	<ul><li>☐ Murder</li><li>☐ Attempted murder</li><li>☐ Involuntary manslaughter</li></ul>	

The correct answers are provided at the end of the worksheet.



#### Over to you...

Reflecting on the courtroom lesson and the video you watched, what are your thoughts on the following?

What is the			
difference between			
the law and	justice?		

## What does justice mean?

Do you agree with these definitions of the word justice? Mark them from 1 (most agree) to 5 (least agree).

How do you think the justice system has changed since Martha's day?

- 1 2 3 4 5 Justice means treating everyone the same way
- 1 2 3 4 5 Justice means making people pay if they have done something wrong
- 1 2 3 4 5 Justice means following the rules
- 1 2 3 4 5 Justice means helping people in need
- 1 2 3 4 5 Justice means protecting our human rights

Share your answers with your teacher/classmates.



#### Research task

Look at newspapers or news websites like <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/news">https://www.bbc.co.uk/news</a> or <a href="https://www.theguardian.com">https://www.theguardian.com</a> and find a story which reports on a recent court case.

Give the details of the source (website or newspaper) you used

Summarise what the case was about and what the verdict was.

What differences and similarities could you see between this court case and Martha's?

Share your answers with your teacher/classmates.

### **Roles in a courtroom (example answers)**

Judge	Their role is to guide the jury, make sure the trial is fair and deliver a sentence if the defendant is found guilty.
Jury	They need to listen carefully and objectively to all the evidence provided and agree a verdict (guilty or not guilty).
Prosecution	Their job is to convince the jury, beyond reasonable doubt, that the defendant is guilty.
Defence	They make the best case to defend the person on trial.
Barrister	A lawyer who specialises in appearing in court.
Defendant	The person who has been accused of the crime and is on trial.
Witness	A person called to give evidence about the crime.

### **Terminology Quiz (answers)**

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