

# Help for victims of crime

These Teaching Notes accompany the special issue called **Help for victims of crime**. Please photocopy as needed.

Note to teachers and tutors:  
Your students may have been victims of crime or torture.  
This issue may bring up strong feelings for these readers.

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Tip: Have students fold the newspaper so that they can read only 1 page of the photostory at a time. It will be less overwhelming.

- ☞ Introduce new vocabulary words: victims, suspects, accused, police officers, offenders, paramedics, sentence, subpoena, trial, crime.
- ☞ Go over the characters in the courtroom drawing on page D of the special issue.
- ☞ Do “Tell the story” (TN-2) in groups. Give out answer keys so the students can correct their stories themselves.
- ☞ Talk about how a person might feel after a crime. Have students ever been a victim?
- ☞ Help from victim services workers is free. Make a list of ways that the 4 victim services workers help the victims in the story.

## Answers for exercises

### Tell the story (TN-2) – Answer key

1. A man and a woman rob the Chan’s store.
2. One robber knocks Mei down.
3. Mei is injured.
4. Ming calls 9-1-1.
5. Paramedics arrive to help Mei.
6. The police arrive to investigate the robbery.
7. Victim services workers arrive to help the Chans.
8. The police arrest 2 people.
9. The police charge 2 people with the robbery.
10. The Chans receive a subpoena.
11. The Chans visit a courtroom.
12. The Chans testify at the trial.
13. The judge decides that the accused are guilty.
14. The Chans read their Victim Impact Statements.
15. The judge gives his sentence.

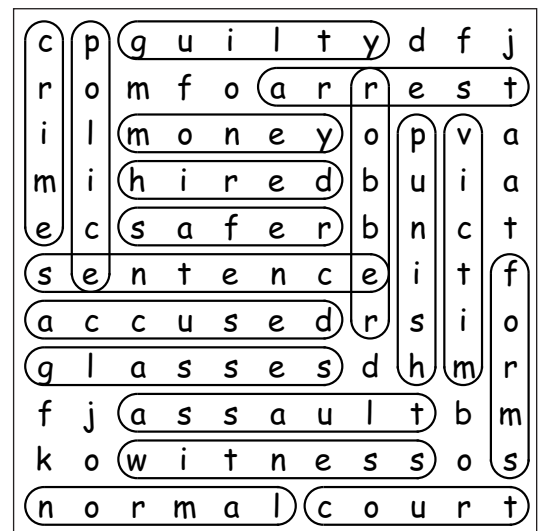
### Choose the verb (TN-3)

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| 2. break       | 7. apply    |
| 3. investigate | 8. help     |
| 4. arrest      | 9. promise  |
| 5. testify     | 10. decides |
| 6. give        | 11. call    |

### Who does what? (TN-4)

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 2. the paramedics     | 6. the defence lawyer   |
| 3. Ming               | 7. the police           |
| 4. the 9-1-1 operator | 8. the Crown prosecutor |
| 5. the robbers        | 9. the judge            |

### Find the words (TN-4)



This is a story about the robbery.  
It is on pages B and C in the special issue.  
Cut the strips apart. Then put them in order.



Ming calls 9-1-1.

The police arrive to investigate the robbery.

The police arrest 2 people.

The judge gives his sentence.

One robber knocks Mei down.

The Chans receive a subpoena.

Paramedics arrive to help Mei.

The Chans testify at the trial.

The police charge 2 people with the robbery.

The judge decides that the accused are guilty.

The Chans visit a courtroom.

A man and a woman rob the Chan's store.

Victim services workers arrive to help the Chans.

The Chans read their Victim Impact Statements.

Mei is injured.

## Choose the verb

Answers on page TN-1

Choose a word from the box to fill in the blank.

1. Laws protect people.
2. Robbers \_\_\_\_\_ the law.
3. Police \_\_\_\_\_ crimes.
4. Police \_\_\_\_\_ suspects.
5. Victims \_\_\_\_\_ at trials.
6. Paramedics \_\_\_\_\_ medical help.
7. Victims can \_\_\_\_\_ for financial benefits.
8. Victim services workers \_\_\_\_\_ victims of crime.
9. Witnesses \_\_\_\_\_ to tell the truth.
10. The judge \_\_\_\_\_ how to punish the offenders.
11. In an emergency, \_\_\_\_\_ 9-1-1.

apply  
arrest  
break  
call  
decides  
give  
help  
investigate  
promise  
~~protect~~  
testify

## Describe the robbers

What did the robbers look like?

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What were the robbers wearing?

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## Who does what?

Answers on page TN-1

There are many people in the robbery story. Who does these things?

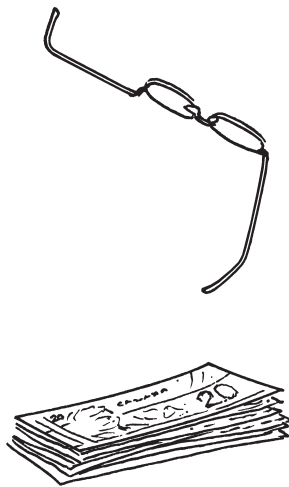
1. Who gives free help to victims of crime? the victim services workers
2. Who takes Mei to the hospital? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Who calls 9-1-1? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who sends an ambulance and the police? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who steals some money? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Who works for the accused? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Who arrests 2 people? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Who prepares a case against the accused? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Who decides that the accused are guilty? \_\_\_\_\_

## Find the words

Answers on page TN-1

Find these words in the puzzle. Some words go across and some go down.

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|---------|----------|
| accused | money    |
| arrest  | normal   |
| assault | police   |
| court   | punish   |
| crime   | robber   |
| forms   | safer    |
| glasses | sentence |
| guilty  | victim   |
| hired   | witness  |



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## News story

Write a news story about the robbery. Use the past tense.