

Super English



Unit 20 - Lesson 1 - Forensic Science

Vocabulary



Forensics - Vocabulary

forensic: (adj) related to scientific methods used to solve crimes



The **forensic** team collected evidence from the crime scene.

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obvious: (adj) easy to see, recognize, or understand



It was **obvious** that she was happy because she was smiling.

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testify: (v) to speak in court about what you know or have seen



The lawyer asked the witness to **testify** about what happened.

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autopsy: (n) an examination of a dead body to find out the cause of death



The doctor performed an **autopsy** to learn how the person died.

Reading



Your First Day at the Scene

You step under yellow tape and everyone stops talking. This is your first day in **forensic science**, and suddenly the room feels serious. Forensic work isn't magic from TV shows; it's careful thinking, patience, and **tiny details**.

One shoe print, one fiber, or one photo can change everything. Nothing is **obvious** at first glance, and that's the point. Your job is to slow down, look closely, and let science speak instead of guesses, even when **pressure builds around you**.



1. Why does the article say forensic science is not like TV shows?
2. Would you enjoy a job where small details really matter? Why or why not?

Protecting the Truth



1. Why can rushing cause problems later in a case?
2. Would you rather work fast or carefully? Why?

Before anyone touches anything, **the scene** must be protected. In forensic investigations, mistakes can destroy truth forever. Investigators **block off areas**, take photos, and write notes so nothing is lost. It may seem slow, but rushing causes problems later. A moved object or missing photo can confuse a case. What looks obvious to **outsiders** might actually be **misleading**. Careful work at the start helps courts trust what comes later and protects investigators from serious mistakes during **trials**.

Grammar

Present Continuous

I → am

he
She → is
it

we
you → are
they

Present Simple

Subject

Do



Phrasal verbs with 'put.'

Match the multiword verbs with their meanings.

To delay or postpone something.

put out

To tolerate or endure something unpleasant.

put down

1. To extinguish a fire or light.
2. To inconvenience or trouble someone.

put off

1. To talk badly about someone.
2. To euthanize an animal.

put up with

Let's Talk!



Dialogue 1 – First Day Jitters

Maya: I thought forensic science was just cool lab stuff, not standing quietly staring at the floor.

Leo: Same. I didn't expect "don't touch anything" to be the main rule.

Maya: One mistake and the whole case can fall apart, though. That's kind of scary.

Leo: Yeah, imagine sneezing and ruining the evidence. Instant nightmare.

Maya: Still, I like that it's about facts, not guessing.

Leo: True. Science doesn't care about opinions, just proof.

Question: Would you feel nervous or excited working at a crime scene for the first time? Why?

Unlocking Word Parts

A large, 3D black sculpture of the word "WORDS" is positioned on a dark surface. The background is a blurred, light blue and white scene, possibly of a forest or a bright outdoor area. The letters are thick and blocky, casting soft shadows on the surface below them.

WORDS

Euphemisms and Dysphemisms

Euphemism: A polite or mild word or phrase used to replace a more direct, harsh, or unpleasant one.

1. **Died** - Passed away

2. **Fired** - Let go

3. **Old** - Senior citizen

4. **Fat** - Full-figured

5. **Unemployed** - Between jobs

6. **Toilet** - Restroom

7. **Drunk** - Tipsy

8. **poor** - Financially challenged

9. **Criminal** - Person of interest

10. **War** - Armed conflict

See you next time!

