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*"My colleague Rob Gordon has always been fond of referring to a 'big tent' approach to the study of crime, noting that all credible forms of inquiry are to be welcomed. But, he has always been quick to add, 'please don't burn the tent down; if you try that approach, you will no longer be welcome within it.'"*

**—NEIL BOYD, PREFACE TO UNDERSTANDING CRIME IN CANADA, 3RD EDITION**



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**Crown:** the state, including in the context of the criminal justice system; and/or the legal representative of the state.

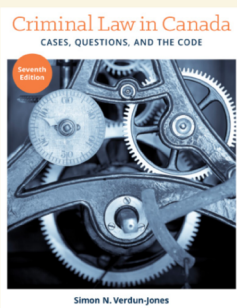
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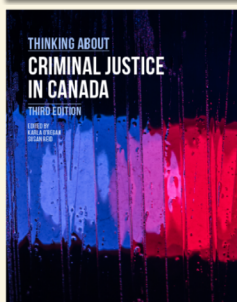
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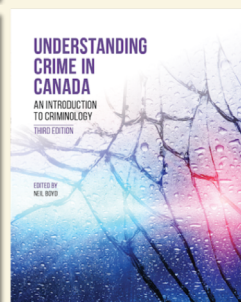


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Curt Griffiths is a professor in the School of Criminology and coordinator of the Police Studies Program at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver. The primary focus of his teaching, research, and writing is in the areas of policing, corrections, and comparative criminal justice.

Professor Griffiths is the author or co-author of more than 100 research reports and articles, and his resources for higher education include *Canadian Criminal Justice: A Primer*, *Canadian Police Work* and *Canadian Corrections* (with Danielle Murdoch), all of which are published by Emond.

1. The new 7th edition of your highly successful book, *Canadian Criminal Justice: A Primer*, is publishing in Summer 2024. What are some key features?

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2. You've had great success in writing books on various aspects of the criminal justice system for Canadian university and college courses. To what do you attribute the longevity and success of these titles?

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4. On your website, [www.curtgriffiths.com](http://www.curtgriffiths.com), you emphasize "bridging the gap between theory and practice." What does that mean in terms of your writing, research, and teaching?

Too often, scholars and criminal justice professionals work in silos, leading to what has been called the "dialogue of the deaf." I consider myself to be a "pracademic," aiming to assist policymakers, practitioners, and communities in improving the criminal justice system and the quality of life in communities, while ensuring the rights of citizens. I try to present research findings on critical issues, such as racial profiling, discrimination, and marginalization, so that students will think critically about these and other challenges facing the justice system.

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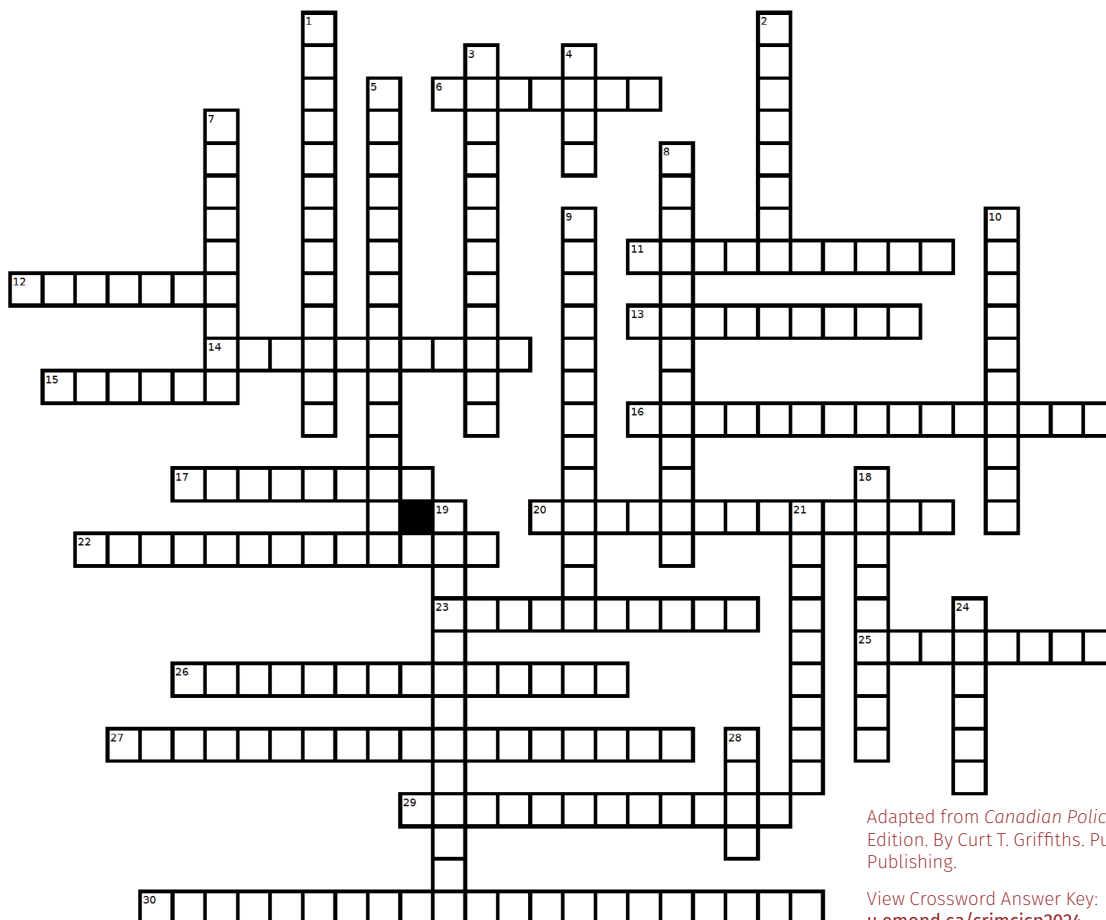
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# CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CRIMINOLOGY CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Adapted from *Canadian Police Work*, 5th Edition. By Curt T. Griffiths. Published by Emond Publishing.

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## Down:

1. The goal of corrections that focuses on preparing the offender for a return to the community.
2. When a person directly or indirectly, by any means, causes the death of a human being.
3. A common law doctrine under which judges are to follow those precedents established by prior decisions.
4. A group of individuals whose function is to determine the guilt or innocence of the accused.
5. A type of intermediate punishment that allows offenders to live in the community while serving their sentence.
7. \_\_\_ release is a program designed to release most incarcerated offenders who have not been able to obtain full parole and who have served two-thirds of their sentence.
8. Questioning suspects to gather information about a crime.
9. An authorization, granted to police officers by a judge, that authorizes officers to search a specific place.
10. Charge \_\_\_ is a prosecutor's decision to reduce the number of charges against the accused in return for a plea of guilty and/or for information.
18. A policy to divert offenders who qualify away from a correctional facility and toward community-based and intermediate sanctions.
19. The body of circumstances that must exist for a criminal act to have occurred.
21. The illegal act. It involves either the commission of an act, such as an assault, or the failure to act, such as failing to take proper safety measures.
24. The temporary detention of the accused in provincial or territorial custody while awaiting a further court appearance; also referred to as pretrial custody.
28. \_\_\_ patrol is a type of police patrol linked to community policing.

## Across:

6. Laws created by legislatures in a response to changing social conditions and public opinion.
11. The judicial determination of a legal sanction to be imposed upon a person found guilty of an offence.
12. The most frequently occurring crime in the violent crime category.
13. A sentence that allows a convicted offender to serve their sentence in the community, subject to certain conditions for a designated time period.
14. A repeat offender.
15. An individual who agrees to be indebted to the court for a specified amount of money if the accused does not appear on the appointed date.
16. An attempt by the defence to ensure that the accused is not charged with an offence that carries a negative label.
17. A style of policing that emphasizes a reactive style of policing rather than a proactive or preventive style.
20. The socialization process through which a new inmate learns the accepted norms and values of the prison population.
22. Jury \_\_\_ occurs when a jury does not follow the court's interpretation of the law.
23. Grounds for an accused to appeal a conviction based on an incorrect legal ruling.
25. \_\_\_ court is where most indictable offences are tried, either by judge or by judge and jury.
26. The repetition of criminal behaviour.
27. The accuracy or correctness of the outcome of a case.
29. An objective of sentencing and punishment used in conditional sentences where the aim is to reinforce community values by indicating that certain behaviour is regarded as reprehensible and will not be tolerated.
30. UCR system.

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