

## Core Skills Analysis

### English

- Developed specialized vocabulary related to criminology, enhancing technical language skills and precision in communication.
- Learned to analyze and interpret complex written texts or case studies typical in criminology, improving critical reading skills.
- Practiced constructing clear, structured written arguments or summaries about criminological theories or cases, building persuasive writing abilities.
- Gained insight into formal and academic writing styles appropriate for scientific or social science discourse.

### Tips

To deepen Michelle's understanding and application of English skills in criminology, encourage her to engage with authentic criminology case reports or documentaries to improve comprehension and transcript skills. Inviting her to write reflective essays or opinion pieces on ethical dilemmas faced in criminology can enhance critical thinking and argumentative writing. Additionally, role-playing as a criminologist presenting findings to an audience can boost verbal expression and confidence. Finally, analyzing the narrative elements of crime stories or forensic reports can enrich her grasp of storytelling techniques and factual reporting.

### Book Recommendations

- [Forensics: The Anatomy of Crime](#) by Val McDermid: A detailed introduction to forensic science and investigation techniques, perfect for understanding the language and logic used in criminology.
- [Criminal Minds: A Writer's Guide to Forensic Psychology](#) by Katherine Ramsland: Offers insight into profiling and psychological analysis, helping students connect criminology concepts to writing and communication.
- [Mystery and Mayhem: The Secrets of Crime Fiction](#) by Chris Pavone: Explores narrative structures and writing techniques in crime fiction, supporting creative and analytical English skills.

### Learning Standards

- English KS3: Reading - Develop understanding and analysis of complex texts (English Programmes of Study 2a, 2b).
- English KS3: Writing - Use a range of writing styles and structures appropriate to subject and audience (English Programmes of Study 1b, 1c).
- English KS3: Vocabulary - Build and confidently use subject-specific vocabulary (English Programmes of Study 3g).

### Try This Next

- Create a glossary worksheet of essential criminology terms with definitions and example sentences.
- Write a mock crime report summarizing a fictional case study, focusing on clarity and formal writing style.