

Eyewitness Account

Discussion

- 🎧 What is an *eyewitness* ?
- 🎧 How important is eyewitness testimony in criminal court cases?
- 🎧 Do you think eye witness testimony is reliable?
- 🎧 What kind of information do you think you would be able to recall if you witnessed a crime?

Video

You are about to witness a crime and you are going to have to give an account of what you saw to the police.

- Watch this video once without pausing it. <https://youtu.be/pHHREtLdwC8> (*Brain Game - National Geographic*)
- After you've watched the video, write down what you saw, giving as much descriptive detail about the crime and the perpetrators (people acting unlawfully) as you can remember.
- Share your eyewitness account with your partner/group – are your accounts the same?
- Now watch the video again, writing down any extra details and making note of any mistakes you made in your first account.
- In pairs/as a group put together the most accurate version you can of the eyewitness account.

Discussion

- 🎧 From your first account after only watching the video once, how much correct information did you get?
- 🎧 Could you recall more about *the actions* of the criminals than their *appearance*?
- 🎧 Have you changed your mind about the reliability of the eyewitness?

Writing

- Write up your eye witness account of the crime using the *past simple* and *past continuous*. Give as much descriptive detail as you can. Use the verbs *see*, *look* and *watch* at least once each.