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Activity: Media

Trace evidence

Learning objective

At the end of this activity you should be able to:

- explain the importance of trace evidence in criminal investigations.

Using the link below, complete questions 1 to 9 that follow.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ly8sm1V0dk0>

1. What are trace evidence experts trained to do?
2. Briefly describe the picking method.
3. What are high intensity light sources used for?
4. Briefly describe the taping or lifting method.
5. Why is it difficult to avoid leaving trace evidence?
6. List the examples of trace evidence.
7. How does hair look under a microscope?
8. What can be determined by examining hair under a microscope?
9. What is the importance of trace evidence in criminal investigation?