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Activity: Media

The role of a juror

Learning objective

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

- understand the role and importance of juries in court.

Using the link below, complete questions 1 to 21 that follow.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yQGekF-72xQ>

1. How are jurors selected?
2. Who can be selected?
3. For whom could it be an offence to serve on a jury?
4. What does a juror have to do?
5. What can happen if you cannot attend court?
6. How many days does jury service normally last? Why might it be longer?
7. Why might jurors have to show identification?
8. How is the jury selected for each trial?
9. Why might the legal teams challenge the selection of a juror?
10. How does a juror take the oath or affirm?
11. What is the first stage of the trial?
12. What must a juror tell the usher?
13. Why might a judge intervene during a trial?
14. What is the purpose of the judge's summing up for the jury?
15. How do the jury ask questions during the trial?
16. What must your opinion as a juror be based on?
17. Who can jurors discuss the case with?
18. What must a juror do if someone tries to influence them?
19. What is forbidden for jurors during a trial?
20. How long do the jury deliberate for?
21. Why is the jury system important?