

Defining and Measuring Crime – Questions by Topic

Q1.

Each statement below **part(a)**, **part(b)** and **part(c)** applies to a different way of measuring crime. For each of these statements, identify the way of measuring crime that is most appropriate.

- (a) It fails to account for all those crimes that are unreported or unrecorded. (1)
- (b) It is a measure of crime that also tells us who is responsible for those crimes. (1)
- (c) It measures only those crimes where someone suffers as a result of the crime. (1)
- (Total 3 marks)

Q2.

Read the item and then answer the questions that follow.

In the UK, it is against the law to have more than one wife or husband at the same time. Smacking children was not illegal before 2004 in the UK, but now can be a criminal offence.

Referring to the statements above, explain **two** problems in defining crime.

(Total 4 marks)

Q3.

Discuss ways of measuring crime.

(Total 8 marks)