

1. Draw lines to match each word with its meaning in the text.

word

victim

defendant

jury

meaning

the person suspected of committing a

someone harmed by a crime

determine if the suspect is guilty

2. Look at pages 4 and 5. Tick to show whether the following statements are **true** or **false**.

| Statement | True | False |
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| A witness is an expert who has analysed a vital clue to a case. | | |
| CSIs are always police officers or scientists. | | |
| A judge will always decide if a defendant is guilty or innocent. | | |
| Coroners are able to determine how and when a person died. | | |

3. On page 6, look at the paragraph beginning, 'Every day...'

Find and copy one word that is closest in meaning to examine.

4. On page 7, look at the paragraph beginning, 'Everywhere you go...'

Find and copy a group of words that suggests leaving pieces of ourselves is usually unremarkable.

5. If the tests they use reveal anything interesting about a criminal case, the same scientists are often also called upon to be expert witnesses in a trial. They will explain what the results mean. This can make all the difference in proving whether a person is guilty or innocent.

- a) **Find and copy one word** from the above section of text that shows scientists can regularly be asked to be an expert witness.

- b) **Underline a group of words** that shows the work forensic scientists do could be vital in deciding if a suspect has committed the crime.

6. Tiny pieces of carpet could be stuck to you. What **three** places does the author suggest to check?

your hair

your fingernails

your toenails

your pockets

your coat

your shoes

7. What does the word **unique** tell you about the trace you leave behind?
