

# CRIME AND PUNISHMENT



Justice - just / fair behaviour or treatment.

Rehabilitation - restoring something to its former condition. Helping someone change for the better.

Reoffending - committing a further offence.

Liberties - rights people have in society e.g. freedom.

Criminal law - a system of law concerned with punishment of offenders.

Civil law - a system of law concerned with private relations between members of a community.

Shariah Law - Islam's legal system based on the Qur'an and fatwas.

## Different Types of Crime

Crime against a person: directed against an individual

or a group of people e.g. assault.

Crime against property: includes criminal damage such as vandalism and arson.

Crime against the state: an offence aimed at damaging the government or a country.

## Hate Crime

Crimes committed against people because they belong to a certain group.

† ✗ Love thy neighbour  
 ✗ Agape love  
 ✓ Westbro Baptist Church - hateful towards many people.

★ ✗ Allah creates everyone equally - equal value

✗ Qur'an - Allah wants justice & fairness in the world.

## Shari'ah Law

- Based on the Qu'ran.
- Code for living for Muslims.
- Shari'ah law is complex and its practice is reliant on experts.
- Many punishments are considered harsh - corporal & capital.
- Shari'ah law has no legal standing in Britain. Communities may use it to settle arguments & get advice.



## Theft

† Forbidden in the 10 Commandments.

'You shall not steal.'

☾ ✗ Not acceptable.

• Due to Zakah there should be no need for stealing.

• Shari'ah Law - hands chopped off for stealing.

## Murder

† Life is God given - wrong to take it.

'You shall not murder.'

☾ ✗ Believe in the sanctity of life.

• Taking life is likened to the taking of all lives.