

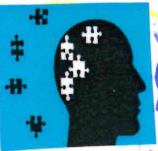
## Poverty and Upbringing

- Someone who is poor more motivation to steal.
- May have less respect for the government and law.
- If brought up to believe committing crimes is acceptable, it may encourage them to also do so.
- † May feel there are good reasons for committing crimes e.g. stealing to feed a starving family.
- † Everyone should obey God's laws.
- ★ If people are stealing the community has failed.

MAKE  
POVERTY  
HISTORY

## Mental Illness and Addiction

- Some mental illnesses influence people to commit crimes.
- Kleptomania - influences people to steal things.
- Diminished responsibility - if people are not able to control their actions.
- Addiction can contribute to crime.
- † Treating the illness is the most loving and compassionate thing to do.
- ★ Drug abuse & drinking - not allowed. They are the work of Satan.



Psychological - your emotional/mental state, how you feel.

Environmental - living environment around you, area, and living place & conditions.

Social - effects of society/people, family, peers.

Conscience - inner feeling about what is wrong is right.

Jealousy  
Poor living  
conditions

Anger

Gangs

Family in prison

Mental Illness

Greed

No  
morals

Peer  
Pressure

Neglect

Unfair  
laws



Morality - judgement of right and wrong.

Persecution - treating people badly because of prejudice.

Prejudice - biased belief about someone.

Rehabilitation - aiming to reform someone (change them)

Sin - thought or action against God.

Zakah - giving of money to the needy.

## Greed and Hate

- Greed can cause more complex crimes being committed e.g. tax fraud.
- Hate crimes - hatred towards a person or group of people.
- † Jesus taught people not to be greedy.
- † To be greedy is sinful 'for the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil.'
- ★ Greed is a temptation that should be avoided - distracts people from Allah.



## Opposition to an unjust law

- Some people break laws because they disagree with them.
- Some people protest laws they believe are unfair.
- † Laws should not be opposed because God wanted to obey their rulers.
- † Some laws not made by God are unjust so it is OK to stand up for what they believe in.
- ★ In Muslim countries Shari'ah law is in place which are God laws and must be obeyed.