
**Walker Short Answer Essays
Weekly Presentations**

Chapter 1 [Presenter: BRIAN LODGE]

1. Defend the suggestion that the recent crime decline is most likely due to a combination of contextual and criminal justice policy factors.
 2. Discuss how the wars on crime and drugs have impacted incarceration and how it serves to undermine the collective efficacy of neighborhoods.
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Chapter 2 [Presenter: HELEN TRAN]

1. List the factors used by the courtroom workgroup to informally classify cases on the basis of their seriousness and show your understanding of the impact on case processing by discussing specific offenses.
 2. Differentiate fourth layer cases from those in the second layer of the CJ wedding cake.
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Chapter 3 [Presenter: JORGE MOLINA]

1. Describe the various hidden issues that impact the chance of being incarcerated.
 2. Justify the suggestion that ours is an administrative rather than an adversarial justice system.
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Chapter 4 [Presenter: KELLEY AU]

1. Distinguish between a criminal career and career criminal. Include in your answer the terms and concepts, along with their definitions, that help in determining this difference.
 2. Compare and contrast the relative accuracy of predictions made in the various studies in the chapter along with the accuracy of judges in predicting chronic offending.
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Chapter 5 [Presenter: MARK HANEY]

1. Explain how carefully planned and focused problem-oriented policing strategies can be successful in reducing crime and disorder. Provide an example.
 2. Appraise the argument that the exclusionary rule handcuffs police.
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Chapter 6 [Presenter: DANIEL MORALES]

1. Explain which of the assumptions of deterrence are and are not being met according to research on people's perceptions of a deterrent.
 2. Defend the claim that the death penalty does not produce a deterrent effect.
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Chapter 7 [Presenter: FRANCISCO ASTORGA]

1. Compare and contrast the impact of the Washington D.C. preventive detention law with the Federal Bail Reform Act.
 2. Explain how mandatory sentencing laws are affected by the criminal justice law of thermodynamics.
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Chapter 8 [Presenter: JESSICA CHAPPELL]

1. Defend the argument that defendants who successfully use the insanity defense are not beating the system.
 2. Defend the argument that limiting appeals will not reduce serious crime.
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Chapter 9 [Presenter: KYLA KUMAGAI]

1. Discuss the reasons why the victim has had no role in modern Anglo-American law.
 2. Describe victim compensation programs and evaluate how well they impact victim attitudes toward the criminal justice system.
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Chapter 10 [Presenter: SUZY MENDOZA]

1. Assess the usefulness of strategies that seek to keep guns out of the hands of “bad” people.
 2. Defend the argument that either right-to-carry laws or laws that seek to get tough on weapons offenses have the most potential to reduce gun-related crime.
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Chapter 11 [Presenter: RYNO GONZALEZ]

1. Defend the use of diversion programs and then evaluate the effectiveness of such programs, and the impact of net-widening.
 2. Provide the objectives of and assess the effectiveness of drug courts.
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Chapter 12 [Presenter: JACQUELINE QUINTANA]

1. Evaluate the argument that creating more legitimacy in the CJS may reduce crime.
 2. Assess the argument that decriminalization of any of the following offenses has or will reduce crime: public disorder crimes, abortion, sex between consenting adults or gambling.
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Chapter 13 [Presenter: JENNIFER CHARRON]

1. Compare and contrast the four surveys used to measure the extent of the drug problem; include in your reply weaknesses of each.
 2. Differentiate between supply and demand reduction strategies and provide examples of each of them.
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Chapter 14 [Presenter: RICK DELGADO]

1. Describe the theoretical underpinnings and the fundamental operating principles of community crime control.
 2. Identify the most influential factors in the success of the Boston Gun Project and explain why these factors are influential.
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