

Crime Typologies (CMY3702)

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Theme 1: South African crime categories

SAPS	DCS
Contact crimes: common robbery, rape, attempted murder, robbery (aggravated), assault (common), murder, assault (GBH), indecent assault	Economic: fraud, house breaking and entering, and theft
Contact-related crimes: arson and malicious damage to property	Aggressive: murder and armed robbery
Property-related crimes: burglary at residential and business premises, and theft of motor vehicles or from motor vehicles	Sexual: all sex-related crimes (i.e. rape and indecent assault)
Crimes heavily dependent on police action for detection: illegal possession, drugs, DUI	Narcotics: drug-related crimes
Other serious crime: all theft not mentioned elsewhere, commercial crime and shop-lifting	Other: public disorder, some traffic crimes and by-law offences

Theme 1: Crime Taxonomy

- **Serious versus priority crimes in South Africa**

- South African serious crimes categories

Contact crimes; Contact-related crimes; Property-related crimes; Crimes heavily dependent on police action for detection; Other serious crimes; Subcategories of aggravated robbery.

Theme 1: Crime Taxonomy

- South African priority crimes
 - ✓ Crimes involving firearms (i.e. armed robbery)
 - ✓ White collar crimes (i.e. corruption, bribery, blackmail, etc.)
 - ✓ Crime against women and children (i.e. rape and domestic violence)
 - ✓ Vehicle theft and hijackings
 - ✓ Paramilitary activities

Possible exam questions

- Multiple-choice questions – use the self-evaluation questions to prepare for the examination.

Theme 2: Organised Crime

Use the self-evaluation questions to prepare for the examination.

➤ **10 Mark Questions:**

Discuss the categories of organised crime

Provision of illicit services; Provision of illicit goods; Conspiracy to commit crime; Penetration of legitimate business; Extortion & Corruption.

Discuss the characteristics of organised crime

Organisation continuity; Hierarchical structure; Restricted/Exclusive membership; Criminality/violence/power; Legitimate business involvement & Use of specialists.

Theme 2: Organised Crime

➤ 15 Mark Questions:

Discuss the structure of organised crime

A loose association of people; A complex and adaptable structure; A business structure; Workers within the structure & Economic gain

Discuss the various factors contributing to organised crime in South Africa

25 Mark Questions: **(NB: Structure – Intro, Definitions, Body & Conclusion)**

Discuss the theoretical explanation of organised criminal behaviour

- Rational Choice theory
- Deterrence theory
- Psychological traits and personality
- Learning theories
- Social disorganisation theories

Theme 3: Conservation Crime

Use the self-evaluation questions to prepare for the examination.

➤ **10 Mark Questions:**

Discuss the extent of solid and waste pollution as conservation crime

Discuss the prevention and control of pollution

➤ **15 Mark Questions:**

Discuss the factors contributing to conservation crime

Discuss the illegal trade in endangered species

25 Mark Question:

Discuss the nature and extent of pollution as part of conservation crime

Theme 4: White Collar Crime

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Use the self-evaluation questions to prepare for the examination.

➤ **10 Mark Questions:**

Identify and shortly discuss occupational crime

Critically discuss the consequences of white collar crime

15 Mark Questions:

Discuss the causative factors of white-collar crime

Discuss the prevention and control of white collar crime

➤ **25 Mark Question:**

Discuss the various theoretical explanations of white collar crime

Theme 5: Public order and Victimless Crime

Use the self-evaluation questions to prepare for the examination.

➤ **10 Mark Questions:**

Discuss the link between prostitution and other types of crimes

Name the different types of prostitution

15 Mark Questions:

Discuss the various role players that are involved in the use of drugs

Discuss the different types of prostitution

25 Mark Question:

Provide a detailed discussion of prostitution as a crime in South Africa

Legalising prostitution?

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kZeVibvzIDA>



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