

What To Do When You See a Crime

When you see a crime happening, be very careful.

Don't try to be a hero. Don't try to take a gun away from anyone.

Watch everything. Try to remember everything:

- **What** is the crime? (robbery, drunk driving, a gang fight)
- **Who** is committing the crime? (man, woman, teen)
- **Where** is it happening? (address)
- **When?** (date, time of day)
- Does the person have a **weapon?** (gun, knife, club)
- What is the person doing? (stabbing, stealing, raping)
- What is the person wearing? (describe the clothes)
- **Where** does the person go? (up the street, into a car)

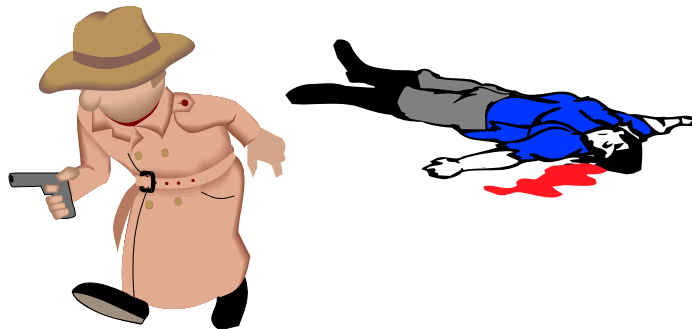
Call the police as soon as it is safe to do so:

- If someone is hurt, call 911.
- If no one is hurt, do not use 911. Use the general police phone number. (It is in the front of most phone books.)

Write down what happened, before you forget anything. Make a chart of where things were. Be sure to get the address and exactly where everything happened.

Practice Describing a Crime

This crime just happened. One man shot the other man. You heard the shot. You look out a window to see what happened. This is what you see:



Study the picture of the crime (page 6). Then answer these questions:

1. Do you call 911? Yes No

2. Was anyone hurt? Yes No

3. What happened? _____

4. Describe the victim (the person who was hurt):

- Man or woman? _____
- Hair color: _____
- Color of the shirt _____
- Color of the pants _____
- Color of the shoes _____
- Is the victim wearing a hat? _____
- Is the victim wearing glasses? _____
- Is the victim wearing a coat? _____
- Is the victim wearing a hat? _____
- Where is the victim now? _____

5. Describe the suspect (the person who has the gun):

- Man or woman? _____
- Hair color: _____
- Color of the shirt _____
- Color of the pants _____
- Color of the shoes _____
- Is the victim wearing a hat? _____
- Is the victim wearing glasses? _____
- Is the victim wearing a coat? _____
- Is the victim wearing a hat? _____
- Where is the suspect now? _____