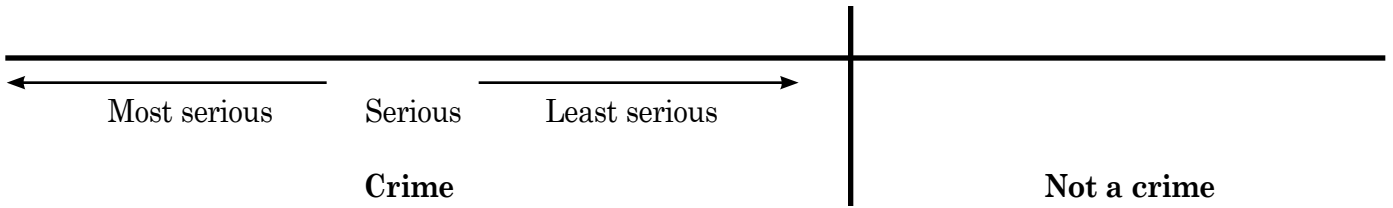


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Play by the Rules Worksheet 3-1: Is it a Crime?



Directions: All crimes are serious, but the way the law is written indicates that some crimes are more serious than others. Using the continuum above, rank the following acts as most serious, serious, least serious or not a crime:

1. A person with a gun robs a victim of \$40. No one is hurt.
2. A drunk driver kills a teenager by driving recklessly.
3. A teen downloads 20 songs from the Internet and creates a CD.
4. Someone sells crack cocaine to elementary school students to support his elderly mother and father.
5. A teen's car is vandalized in a parking lot.
6. Two teens take down a stop sign to decorate their room.
7. A person hides a CD in his or her bag but doesn't leave the store.
8. A teen working in a local electronics store lets a friend buy a stereo system at the employees' discounted price.
9. A teen uses an older friend's ID to purchase cigarettes.



10. One student says to another, "I'll beat you up after school if you don't give me your lunch money."