

Question: Why Crime Scene DATE:

③ is important for investigators? What are crime scene search patterns?

INTRODUCTION

Crime scenes hold a significant importance in an investigation. It is a location where a criminal act took place. Crime scene could be a one location or number of locales that are commonly linked to the criminal act. It could be a site where person was assaulted, a car where victim was taken, a place where body was found and so on. It is critical for investigators to handle it carefully, must be secured as soon as possible to avoid contamination or loss of evidence. A systematic approach is used to inspect, analyze the scene to gather the evidence for the final conclusion of the criminal act.

Importance of the Crime Scene

For following reasons crime scene is essential for investigation:

i- Evidence collection:

This is done since the crime scene contains the crucial evidence and information through this the investigation moves forward. As, the DNA or finger prints can easily be found, with the items related to the ~~criminal~~^{culprit} and victim.

ii- Reconstructing the sequence of the events:-

With the evidence and information gathered, investigators reconstruct the sequence of the crime to understand the situation - the placement of goods, blood splatter patterns, victim's position, all of these provide clues as to what happened during the crime.

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iii- Perpetrator's Identification.

Physical evidences such as finger prints, DNA or unique personal item can frequently be traced back to the specific person. It also includes the shoe or tire prints.

iv- Identifying the Modus Operandi (MO)

The manner in which a crime is performed can indicate a specific modus operandi, which can link crimes by committed by the same people or provide clues leading to the specific person.

v- Provides Scientific Proof in Court-

The importance is also evident in court proceedings, where physical evidence is considered more reliable than oral testimony.

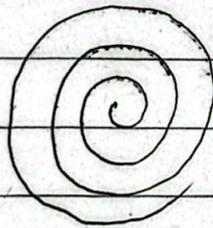
Scientific collected from the crime scene strengthens the prosecution's case and ensures that verdicts are based on facts rather than assumptions.

Crime Scene Search Patterns

In order to ensure that no evidence is left or missing, search must be done thoroughly and systematically.

The search pattern depends on the location, size and nature of the scene - some of the most prevalent patterns are:

i- Spiral search pattern



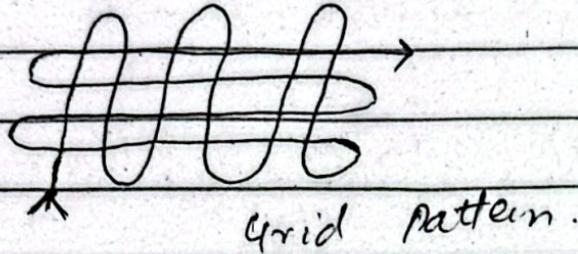
In this pattern the search starts from the centre and move outwards or vice versa - It is best for the small areas or areas with no physical obstacles, e.g. searching around a body in a room.

ii- Grid search pattern

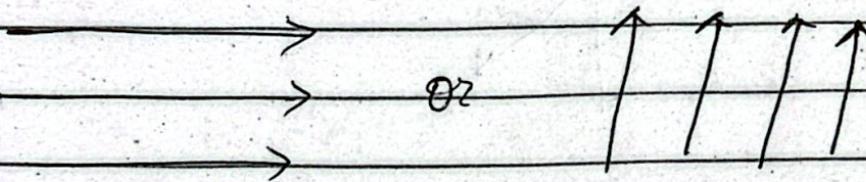
This method is best for important cases and to gather small evidences.

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In this the area is searched twice,
first in parallel lines first then
perpendicular way forming a grid to
ensure nothing is missed out -

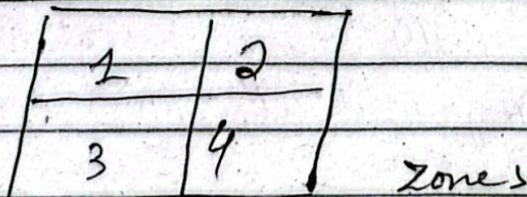


iii. Strip / line search pattern



In this method investigators walk in
straight lines from one side to the
other, everyone walks side by side,
searching the ground as they move
forward, best for open areas - e.g.
searching a body dump site in
a field.

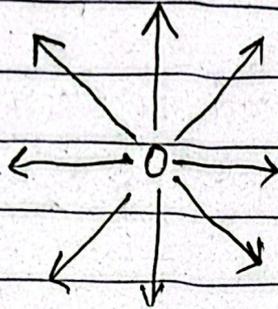
iv - Zone / Quadrant search pattern



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The crime scene is divided into smaller sections / zones. Investigators search each part separately and thoroughly, used in houses or building with number of rooms.

vi- The wheel / Ray search pattern



In this the investigators move from the center outward straightly. It is rarely used alone and is frequently applied to small, circular crime scenes.

Conclusion

The importance of the crime scene in an investigation cannot be overstated, as explained above. It is most important source of physical evidence for determining, what, how it ~~was~~ occurred

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and who was involved and why, understanding and implementing correct search patterns at crime scenes are crucial for the successful investigation of any case - This aids the investigators in using and selecting the right search pattern appropriate for the crime scene's specific circumstances -

Q: How juvenile delinquency DATE: _____

can be reduced through institutional role, professional counselling and increased care?

1. Introduction

Juvenile delinquency is continues to increase with worldwide as well as in Pakistan, the percentage has increased to 60 to 70%. However, there are several reasons that push underage individuals to become offenders that includes lack of proper care or counselling. Despite this the situation can be controlled through professional counselling, active role of institutes and care to make them juveniles good citizen, as Brandi dollan quoted

"They are not juvenile delinquents these are children who have been taken from homes that were bad for them"

2. Who are juveniles?

As per section 169 of Pakistan Penal

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code, "juvenile delinquent is a criminal who is below 18 years of age."

The minor child's behavior is marked by ~~the~~ criminal activities, anti social behavior or disobedience which cannot be controlled by parents at home

3- Reasons for the increasing rate of juvenile delinquency in Pakistan

The main reasons are:

- Broken families, aggressive parenting, domestic violence.
- Lack of commitment towards goals in life due to lack of basic rights.
- Lack of attachment due to congested family systems, broken families that lead to psychological issues -
- Lack of coordination and participation in the families, due to communication gaps, norms, excessive use of gadgets and social media -

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Institutional Role in curbing Juvenile delinquency

Institutions such as schools (education system), state institutions, justice system all play a crucial role -

- Role of state institutions

State plays a crucial role in it, since it is the primary responsibility of the state to look after the underprivileged & poor children, must provide for them. As well as direct private sector to incorporate moral values and skill training in the curriculum -

- Role of Educational Institutes

Educational institutes have ability to establish programs that help students develop positive social skills, promote academic success and provide inclusive and supportive environment -

- Juvenile Justice system

This is specifically for the juveniles

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to reduce the reoffending, a balanced approach of punitive measures and rehabilitation and education is must.

Role of Professional Counselling

Professional counselling plays a crucial role by providing a safe space for the underage individuals to express their themselves.

• Individual counselling

One-one-one sessions with trained therapist who can help them understand their behavior and emotions and deal with stress and enhance self-esteem is effective.

• Group counselling

In this peers share interact with each other and share their experiences, this provide supportive environment, develop empathy and learn from each other.

• Family Therapy

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Family dynamics play an important role in juvenile delinquency. Counselling provides a space to express, understand each other and provide healthier environment.

- Career Counselling

It can assist youth in developing a positive outlook on their future, emphasizing on the importance of education and employment in life.

Role of enhanced care in addressing juvenile delinquency -

- Role of Parents

Parents or primary caregivers shape the behavior of the young individuals. Emotional support, care, attention and guidance help them shape their personalities.

- Mentoring Programs

These help in providing positive role models which can influence their behavior and attitude.

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- Community activities

Involving juvenile in such activities and programs can provide them with space to invest their energies in right places.

- Basic requirements and support services

It is essential that basic requirements of juveniles such as food, shelter and safety are met - social service agencies can provide assistance in it -

Conclusion

Through the combination of institutional roles, professional counselling and increased care can significantly reduce the juvenile delinquency. Strategies that can be adapted include supportive environment, basic requirements are fulfilled and addressing the juvenile behaviour can provide better results - Through these measures society can develop comprehensive strategy for reducing juvenile delinquency that addresses both symptoms and the root causes of their behavior -