

Who Stole the Cookies From the Cookie Jar?

Summative Assessment

Help! The lab was broken into and cookies that were meant for the forensics class were stolen by an unknown suspect overnight. As Locard's Principle states every contact leaves behind a trace. Knowing this we should be able to find evidence linking the thief back to the scene of the crime. In this investigation each person in a group will be responsible for the discovery and analysis of three pieces of evidence from the crime scene. If we solve the case quickly we may even be able to recover the missing cookies and have a treat after all.

Grading Rubric

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Evidence Collection	Little effort was made in proper collection and logging of evidence	Less than ten errors in collection and logging occurred or legibility made the logs all but useless.	Three or fewer minor errors in collection and logging or issues in legibility occurred while collecting evidence	All Evidence was collected properly, neatly logged, and turned in before being passed along the chain of custody.
Evidence Examination and Data Collections	Little effort was made in proper collection and logging of evidence	There were four or fewer errors in handling evidence or chain of custody during examination	There were two or fewer errors in handling evidence or chain of custody during examination	Evidence was properly handled, logged and followed chain of custody throughout the examination
Completion of the Search Warrant	Form lacked sufficient evidence to be approved even on the third attempt	Form lacked sufficient evidence to be approved even on the second attempt	Suspect was incorrectly identified, or form had errors or lacked sufficient evidence to be approved the first time	Suspect was correctly identified, form was filled out correctly with sufficient evidence to get approval the first time.
Crime Scene Analysis	Crime scene analysis shows little understanding in the fundamentals of crime scene investigation	Crime scene analysis shows significant gaps in understanding in three to four areas.	Crime scene analysis shows significant gaps in understanding in one to two areas.	All answers on crime scene analysis were correct and well reasoned. Minor errors may only result in a dock of half a point.

Crime Scene Analysis

Answer the following questions regarding the lab activity

1. Which is preferable, physical evidence or eyewitness evidence. Why?

2. What are the seven S's of crime scene investigation?

a.

b.

c.

d.

e.

f.

g.

3. What would be your primary crime scene in this investigation?

4. Where is your secondary crime scene?

5. Was there anything that happened during the activity that compromised your evidence in any way? If so, explain. (Answering yes will not necessarily lead to docking your grade but ignoring possible sources of error will)

6. Why was it important to wear gloves during this activity?

7. Why do you think it is important to have the name of the "evidence handler" on both the chain of custody log AND the evidence seal?

8. Listed below are ten pieces of evidence that may be found at a crime scene. Classify each piece of evidence as class or individual evidence and provide reason.

a. Glass fragments

b. Blood

c. Sand

d. Leaves

e. Fingerprints

f. A hand written note

g. Bite marks

h. Hair

i. Clothing fibers

j. Boot prints

Evidence

Submitting Agency:_____

Date Collected:_____ Time:_____

Item #:_____

Case #:_____

Collected By:_____

Description of the Evidence:_____

Location Collected:_____

Type of Offence:_____

Chain of Custody

Rec. From:_____ By:_____

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EVIDENCE LOG

Incident Identification: _____

Evidence Custodian: _____

[illegible]

Date Collected	Name of Individual Who Collected the Evidence	Name of Person Logging the Evidence	Description of Evidence	Remarks (Location found, etc.)	Evidence Identification Number	Sign In (Signature Required)	Date Signed- in

APPLICATION FOR A SEARCH WARRANT

I, a federal law enforcement officer or an attorney for the government, request a search warrant and state under penalty of perjury that I have reason to believe that on the following person or property (*Identify the person or describe the property to be searched and give its location*).

Located in _____ (*county*), _____, (*state*) there is now concealed (*identify the person or describe the property to be seized.*)

The basis for the search under Fed.R.Crim.P.41(c) is (*check one or more*):

- ☐ evidence of a crime;
- ☐ contraband, fruits of a crime, or other items illegally possessed;
- ☐ property designed for use, intended for use or used in committing a crime;
- ☐ a person to be arrested or a person who is unlawfully restrained.

This search is related to a violation of (*describe the offense*)

The application is based on these facts:

- ☐ Continued on attached sheet

Applicant's Signature: _____

Printed Name and Title: _____

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence

Date: _____ Judge's Signature: _____

City and State: _____ Printed Name and Title: _____