**Tutor Copy: Courtroom Action**

**STEP 1:** What words in your book on Courtroom Action do you know the translation for?

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| **English** | **French** | | **English** | | **French** |
| 1. Acquittal 2. Appeal 3. Arraignment 4. Bankruptcy 5. Bench trial 6. Capital offense 7. Common law 8. Contempt of court 9. Contract 10. Conviction 11. Counsel 12. Default judgement 13. Evidence 14. Felony 15. Habeas corpus 16. impeachment | 1. Acquittement 2. Appel 3. Lecture de l’acte d’accusation 4. La faillite 5. Procès devant un magistrat 6. Peine capitale 7. Droit commun 8. Outrage au tribunal 9. Contrat 10. Condamnation 11. avocat 12. judgement par défaut 13. témoinage 14. crime 15. habeas corpus 16. mise en accusation | 1. Indictment 2. Injunction 3. Interrogatories 4. Jurisdiction 5. Lawsuit 6. Litigation 7. Misdemeanor 8. Mistrial 9. Parties 10. Prosecute 11. Restraining order 12. Serve papers 13. Settlement 14. Sequestered 15. Warrant 16. Contempt of court | | 1. Inculpation 2. Injunction 3. Interrogateurs 4. Jurisdiction 5. Procés/Action en justice 6. Litige 7. Délit mineur 8. Annulation de procès 9. Parties 10. Poursuivre en justice 11. Une ordonnance de   non-communication   1. signifier les documents 2. Accord 3. Séquestré 4. Mandat 5. Outrage à magistrat | |

**STEP 2**. **Instructions**: Write the translations for the words in the chart above

**STEP 3: Instructions :** Write the word beside the definition.

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| **Definition** | **Word** |
| 1. A formal charge or accusation of a serious crime made by a grand jury 2. The official handing over of documents 3. Trial before a judge 4. Felony 5. A court order issued to prohibit someone from approaching or contacting a specified person 6. An arrangement to end a disagreement 7. Information used to establish facts in a legal investigation 8. Written questions that require written answers under oath 9. an official judgment in a court of law that someone is not guilty of the crime they were accused of 10. a formal proceeding where a defendant is informed of the charges and is asked to enter a guilty or not-guilty plea. 11. A jury that is isolated from the media 12. A trial that is canceled because of a mistake in procedure 13. A case that a court of law is asked to end a disagreement between people or organizations 14. Disrespect for the rules of a court of law 15. A document that give the police permission to do something (i.e search a house) 16. A crime that is not serious 17. A crime for wish the death penalty is used 18. A lawyer who gives someone legal advice and represents them in court 19. A decision by a court of law that someone is guilty of a crime 20. Not having the money to pay your debts | 1. Indictment 2. Serve papers 3. Bench trial 4. A serious crime 5. Restraining order 6. Settlement 7. evidence 8. interrogatories 9. acquittal 10. arraignment 11. sequestered 12. mistrial 13. lawsuit 14. contempt of court 15. warrant 16. misdemeanor 17. capital offense 18. counsel 19. conviction 20. bankruptcy |

**STEP 3: Instructions:** Read the headlines and fill in the blanks with the appropriate legal terminology. Then explain the meaning of the headline and answer your tutors’ questions.

1. **Mistrial** (annulation de procès) declared in trial of double murder.
   * What are some reasons for a mistrial?
     + *Hung jury (jury can’t agree)*
     + *Misconduct by the prosecutor*
     + *Circumstances beyond the control of the court \*i. death of the presiding judge)*
2. **Appeal** (appel) likely for Bissonnette judge’s ‘unusual’ sentencing decision.

* *. Do you think Bissonnette should appeal the sentence?*
* *Do you think the Islamic community should appeal the sentence?*
* *Alexandre Bissonnette was given a life sentence with no possibility of parole for 40 years for six counts of first-degree murder and six of attempted murder after he opened fire on a mosque in Montreal*

3. Crown should appeal drunk-driving **acquittal** (acquittement).

1. Lac-Mégantic: Accused freed after **arraignment** (lecture de l’acte)

* *What must an accused do at an arraignment?*
* *Plead guilty or not- guilty.*

1. Woman opts for **bench trial** (procés devant un magistrate)in vandalism at home prior to fire that killed mom, son

* Why would someone choose to have a bench trial over a jury trial?
* *a complicated case that may confuse a jury*
* *excellent option for largely unliked parties (such, insurance companies, or unpopular political organizations).*

1. Prosecutors can try murder case as **capital offense** (peine capitale)

* *Do you think murder should be a capital offense?*

1. Montreal lawyer charged with **contempt of court** (outrage au tribunal)

* What would be some reasons why a person would be charged with contempt of court?
* *Failure to comply with requests*
* *Witness tampering,*
* *Withholding evidence,*
* *Interruption of proceedings*
* *Defying a court order.*

8. Woman granted **restraining order** against husband?

* *Why would a woman grant a restraining order against her husband?*
* *Scared of husband*
* *To protect yourself and children.*

9. Jeff Bezos’ Affair: The Largest Divorce **settlement** in history?

* *How much money do you think his wife should get in the settlement?*
* *Jeff Bezos (founder of Amazon) is worth 137 billion dollars. He and his wife started the company and then she look after their four children?*

10. Tori Spelling is ordered to pay unpaid credit card bill worth thousands following **default**

**judgement**

* + When do you get a default judgement?
* Don’t show up in court
* Don’t enter a defense

11. Best **evidence** (témoinage) in -teen case is accused's own words: Crown

12. Family Matter: concerns over a possible Donald Trump Jr. **indictment** (mise en accusation)

* Does an indictment or an arraignment come first?
* Cases begin with an Indictment which is a formal notice of charges. Then at the arraignment the defendant is brought before a judge and informed of the charges.

13. Is a tent a home? B.C. judge rules police can search homeless person's tent without **warrant**

* Do you think police should be able to search a tent without a warrant?

14. Snow plow driver in fatal accident charged with **misdemeanor** (Délit mineur)

* What type of punishment do you get for a misdemeanor?
* Fine or less than one year in jail

15. Luka Magnotta jury **sequestered** (séquestré), deliberations begin Tuesday.

* Do you remember this trial?
* Magnotta was convicted of killing and dismembering a Chines international student.
* Would you have liked to be this sequestered jury?

**STEP 4:** What words did you have the most difficulty with?