# CÔTE D'IVOIRE – ÉCOLE NUMÉRIQUE



## UNIT 4 : CRIME AND VIOLENCE

**Unit 4: CRIME AND VIOLENCE (Far Ahead 1ère)**
**Lesson type: Reading (Text p46)**

**Brainstorming** (3min)

*Read these statements about guns and violence. Do you agree or disagree with them? Why?*

1- There would be less violence if people were not allowed to own guns.
2- People have the right to own guns to protect themselves.
3- Guns do not protect you. They increase your risk of being shot.

## LEARNING CONTEXT

On the occasion of the celebration of the Martin Luther King Junior's day, the US embassy is organizing a debate competition intended for the English clubs about the following topic: Do you think it is a good idea to own a gun? To take part in this debate, you read a text to find some information about the topic.

## LESSON CONTENT

### A- VOCABULARY

1- **Average** is the result you get when you add values and divide the total by the number of values that you added.
2- Something s**hocking** surprises and upsets very much.
3- **Availability** = Being ready to use
4- Unrelated = Not linked
5- **Regulation** = Control by rules (laws)
6- **Gun-free** = Without guns

### B- LANGUAGE FUNCTION

**Communication: Expressing opinions**

To express one's opinion, we can use expressions like: ***In my opinion/ As far as I am concerned/ I think that/ Speaking for myself….***

**Examples:**

- **As far as** I am concerned, it is one of the biggest problems we have at college.
- **In my opinion,** it is one of the biggest problems we have at college.
- **I think that** it is one of the biggest problems we have at college.

## SESSION 3 : COMMUNICATION ACTIVITY

It is the celebration of the Martin Luther King Junior's day and your English club is taking part in the debate competition about the topic: "***Do you think it is a good idea to own gun?***"

In groups of four (4) students, discuss the question;
- two (2) students are for and two are Against
- use the phrases expressing opinions.

### EXERCISES

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**Activity 1**: **Read quickly the text and give one (1) argument for gun regulation and one (1) against.**

**Activity 2** : **Read the text again and match the words from the text in column A with their meanings in column B. One meaning is not concerned.**

| A | B |
|---|---|
| 1- Average (L1) | a- Control by rules (laws) |
| 2- Shocking (L20) | b- Without guns |
| 3- Availability (L23) | c- Not linked |
| 4- Unrelated (L33) | d- Something that surprises and upsets very much |
| 5- Regulation (L49) | e- The result you get when you add values and divide the total by the number of values that you added |
| 6- Gun-free (L69) | f- Being ready to use |
| | g- social |

**Activity 3**: **Read the text one more time and choose the correct words in brackets to complete the sentences.**

1- The main cause of children's death in the United states is (**1-rape/ 2-homicide/3-kidnipping**).
2- In South Africa, young men are often killed in violence related to (**1-gangs/ 2-arson/ 3-rape**)
3- (**1-handguns/ 2-shotguns/ 3-knives**) are responsible for most homicides in the United States.
4- Criminals get guns on the (**1-fleamarket/ 2-mall/ 3-blackmarket**).
5- Criminals also (**1-steal/ 2-buy/ 3-lend**) guns during robberies.
6- Some people like to carry guns in order to (**1-project/ 2-injure/ 3-protect**) themselves.
7- Having a gun at home can be dangerous because it can be used (**1-before/ 2-against/ 3-towards**) you in a robbery.
8- Violence is often the result of (**1-social/ 2-unrest/ 3-gun**) problems in a society.

**Activity 4**: **Read the following sentences and choose the correct words.**

1- As far (**is/ as**) am concerned, it is one of the biggest problems we have at college.
2- What is your (**view/ viewing**) on sexual harassment at college?
3- (**Personally/ personality**) the problem is greatly exaggerated.

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