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**CLASS:**

# ASBO

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*noun*

BRITISH

1. a court order which can be obtained by local authorities in order to restrict the behaviour of a person likely to cause harm or distress to the public.

## True or False Questions:

1. **Antisocial behaviour is only carried out by young people.**  
TRUE                      FALSE
2. **The issue of antisocial behaviour does not effect everyone in the community**  
TRUE                      FALSE
3. **It is estimated that anti social behaviour costs the British taxpayer £3.4bn a year**  
TRUE                      FALSE

**What Is classed as anti social behaviour?**

**Graffiti**

**Abusive and intimidating language**

**Excessive noise**

**Anything that annoys me**

**Dropping litter**

**Drunken behaviour**

**Dealing drugs**

**Making nuisance phone calls**

**Cycling on the footpath**

**Children playing in the street or communal areas or social gathering**

**Read the article:**

## Knife ASBOs to be piloted in London

By [Monidipa Fouzder](#)<sup>4</sup> March 2020

The Metropolitan Police is to test measures to prevent knife crime that could result in children as young as 12 being caught up in the criminal justice system for breaching civil orders.

The Home Office announced today that legislation has been laid in parliament to pilot knife crime prevention orders, which were introduced through the Offensive Weapons Act 2019. Fatal stabbings in England and Wales were at their highest in 2018 since the Home Office Homicide Index began in 1946.

The civil orders can be imposed by courts on anyone aged 12 or over who the police believe is regularly carrying a knife, or if they are convicted of a knife-related offence. Courts could impose geographical restrictions and curfews, as well as mandatory attendance in sports, drug rehabilitation and anger management classes.

The pilot will begin on 6 April and run for 14 months.

The Home Office said the orders are intended to be preventative rather than punitive.

Crime and policing minister Kit Malthouse said: 'We are doing all we can to tackle serious violence and make our streets safer. The police have our full support and these new orders are an example of us ensuring officers have the powers they need to bear down on violent crime.'

Commander Jane Connors from the Metropolitan Police Service said the prevention orders 'will no doubt be well received in protecting young vulnerable individuals, who get caught up in violence whilst also preventing further acts of violence and helping to keep our communities safe'.

Last year the *Gazette* reported that the government [had not consulted](#) lawyers, magistrates, youth offending teams and social workers on the prevention orders.

Linda Logan, chair of the Magistrates Association's youth court committee, told the *Gazette*: 'These orders have been introduced without proper consultation or a firm evidence base to rely on, so it is impossible to know whether they are what is

needed to deal with the current problems. These pilots must therefore be a genuine test of whether they have any positive effect. If not, then they should not be rolled out further.

**What do you think about this pilot?**

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**Do you think this will be a deterrent for young people?**

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**Task 2:**

**Research a case of anti social behaviour in your local area.**

**What was the incident?**

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**Who was involved?**

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**What was the punishment?**

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**Who did this effect?**

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**How could this have been resolved?**

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**Read the following article:**

**A TERROR teen will spend Christmas behind bars after he breached an anti-social behaviour injunction little more than a month after it was made by magistrates.**

**Swindon** justices ruled that Walcot boy Kenton Knight could be identified by the press, saying his offences in the community meant he had lost the right to remain anonymous.

Sentencing him to a two-month detention and training order, magistrates accused Knight of having shown a complete disregard for court orders.

Knight's Mum asked custody officers if she could give the teen a cuddle before he was taken down. She said: "So he's going to be away for Christmas. He's only a boy."

In October, 14-year-old Knight was handed a 12-month anti-social behaviour injunction banning him from being at Cavendish Square, Sussex Place shops in Walcot, Buckhurst Community Centre and the Queens Drive Burger King unless he was with a parent or guardian.

He must be at school between 9am and 3pm and not associate with a 17-year-old currently subject to an interim criminal behavioural order.

Were he to break any of the terms of the injunction Knight was told by magistrates he could expect to be arrested and put before the courts.

Within six weeks Knight had breached the injunction. He admitted being at the junction of Frobisher Drive and Raleigh Avenue during the day – at a time when he should have been at school or at home.

Magistrates made the injunction last month after hearing that baby-faced Knight had been linked to a spate of anti-social behaviour in Walcot and the Parks.

It was said there was a modicum of hero status that attached to the teenager. Were it to be known that he had received the equivalent of an ASBO he would

thrive on the publicity, the council's lawyer told JPs in a bid to keep his name out of the papers.

Julie Coleman, for the Swindon youth offending team, said Knight had been working closely with her team and was making rapid improvements.

"He's not in himself a bad lad. He is not in himself somebody who should be going to jail today," she said.

"What he is, is a lad who has not had the greatest of starts, who has not had the medication [for ADHD] he should have."

Michael New, chairman of the bench, said: "I know you have been in this court many times. You have many court orders against you - and you have shown complete disregard for all those court orders.

Swindon Magistrates' Court

"Miss Coleman and your solicitor have talked at great length on your behalf and they have done their utmost to persuade us to place you on a community order."

Ruling that Knight could be named in reports of the case, the magistrate added: "Kenton has waived his right to anonymity by repeatedly committing anti-social behaviour in public and behaviours which affect the public detrimentally. Local people who have been affected need to be aware of him and what has happened today."

Describing the two-month sentence as a welcome result Wiltshire Police's community co-ordinator for the east Swindon area PCSO Philip Day said: "Knight's prolific and relentless behaviour in our communities for a significant amount of time has caused alarm and distress to many victims, young and old.

"The injunction served on Knight in October provided clear boundaries that he has clearly chosen to ignore, and as such he has now received today's sentence.



“We hope that Knight’s time in detention will go some way in changing his offending behaviour when he returns back into the community.”

**What were the issues of issuing an ASBO in this case?**

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**Why was this decision made?**

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**Do you feel this was a fair decision?**

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Read the following letter:

To daddy

I am unable to see you right now as you are to ill but I know you can fight this as you are a strong, loving man who I know loves me no matter what I am asking you to be strong and don't give in as I love you too ~~much~~ much to believe that you won't go without a fight. I had a dream last night that you woke up & you were fine except you didn't know me at all? If that did happen & you didn't know me, I would still try to help you remember. I will stick by you while you are in hospital & I will take <sup>care</sup> of mummy. I can't get across to you how much I will miss you & I don't know what I would do without you. You have always been there for me when I am down & you always put a smile on my face (even if it is a rubbish joke) You mean the world to me & I wouldn't change you for the world. When you get out ~~of~~ of here I will be there with a big smile on my face. I hope you can hear me right now as I hope it will give you more strenght & determination as to wake up. I thought I saw ~~my~~ nana newlove's face in the TV last night and I keep seeing her. I know she is here with you looking out for you & is probably offering combifakes or thortons teffee. I love you with all my heart so please don't give in. We are all taking care of you and mummy.

We will deeply miss you & I want you to know you are the best dad anyone can ask for. I love you so much & I do hope you can fight this. I love you! From your darling daughter ..... who loves you so much & from the whole family! WE LOVE YOU!!  
‡ DON'T GIVE IN!! XXXX XFOOOOXXX

**What is happening?**

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**Who is involved?**

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**When was this letter written?**

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**Where was this letter from?**

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**This letter was written by the child of Garry Newlove**

The murder of Garry Newlove.

The attack took place on 10 August 2007, a Friday evening  
There was a history of trouble on the housing estate; the  
Newlove's next door neighbour had recently installed CCTV in  
an attempt to discourage local youths. This camera later  
captured Garry Newlove going out of his house to speak to a  
group of teenagers.

The attack took place shortly after the gang had kicked his  
wife's car, parked outside their home. Garry Newlove died in  
hospital two days later from serious head injuries.

Three teenagers aged between 16 and 19, were convicted  
and jailed for the attack. They received life sentences of  
between 12 and 17 years.

**What are your initial responses to this information?**

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**Read ASBO play scene 1,2,3**

**Answer the following questions:**

What exactly is happening on the estate?

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What do you think about the way Mr.Jones is dealing with this behaviour?

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Why do you think the boys choose to behave the way they do?

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**Read scene 4,5,6,7**

**Answer the following questions:**

What emotions might each character experience immediately after the attack?

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How might an actor convey such emotion?

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Can you suggest a rehearsal technique that a director could use to further develop a character

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