

## Vocabulary

**Judge:** The “referee” in the case. The judge makes sure all of the rules of the court are followed.

**Bailiff:** The bailiff keeps the courtroom a safe place to be.

**Prosecuting Attorney:** This person’s job is to show the reasons why the verdict, or final decision should be “guilty” in the case.

**Defense Attorney:** This person’s job is to help another who has been accused of a crime. They show the reasons the person is “not guilty”.

**Witnesses:** People who know something about the problem, or the “case”.

**Verdict:** The final decision made in the case by the jury.

**Guilty:** The “verdict” says that the person *is* the one who has done the crime.

**Not Guilty:** The “verdict”, or decision made by the jury says that the person did *not* do the crime.

**Rule of Law:** The laws must be fair. The laws must be the same for everyone and all sides of the story must be told. There must be proof that a law has been broken and that someone is guilty.

**Proof:** There must be good reasons that show a person is guilty. It must be *proven*. Unless there is *proof*, the person is not guilty.

**Innocent until proven guilty:** People are innocent unless there is proof that they are guilty.