Nowadays the crime rate is increasing, especially among teenagers. What are the reasons behind it? How can we reverse this trend? What punishment methods should be used, in your opinion?

Our world never has seen this much of wealth, but the rate of crimes has grown dramatically during the last few decades, and this has. made many experts in sociology and psychologists to try to shed light on the root causes of this mysterious paradox. When it comes to this notion, I maintain that officials along with ordinary people have to change their viewpoint to this controversial issue if we truly want to reduce this rate.

Regrettably, <u>people</u> these days are committing more crimes than before, and perhaps one of the significant reasons of it is the advent of the Internet and e-commerce. In this day and age an overwhelming majority of individuals use the Internet to sell or buy a wide range of commodities ranging from their daily needs to cars or even villas. While these trades are going on every day <u>on the cyber space</u>, hardly a day goes by without hearing a fraud on such trades. The worst possible part of this kind of growing crimes is the age of the accused. According to one of the latest <u>research</u> conducted by FBI not only <u>are</u> the age of the accused lower than 25, but also majority of them are tertiary graduated.

Another factor many critics consider a pivotal reason leading to this escalating rate of crime is the mass media covering the luxurious lives of criminals <u>became reach</u> overnight by activities such as embezzlement, drug or weapon trafficking. Drawing their dream life, and tired of working hard, many ordinary people commit a crime without knowing about the <u>consequents</u> of their criminal activities. I think only when financial <u>sources</u> and educational facilities are distributed evenly across the globe, can we expect to lower the current rate of crimes.

To cut a long story short, this alarming rate of crimes demands people from all <u>walk</u> of life to take steps to prevent it from further increase. I strongly hold the idea that the current rate of crimes is higher than expected, and this trend will not stop <u>from</u> growing unless both authorities and people cooperate with each other to legislate more appropriate laws besides increasing public awareness, or else these crimes can ruin humankind achievement for an otherwise perfect world.