

# Pre-sentence reports

## What is a pre-sentence report?



It is a report that tells the court more about you.

It helps the court make a better decision about you.



It is done after you said you were guilty **or** the court said you were guilty



It is written by a Youth Justice officer (or YJ officer).



The court must ask for this report if they are thinking about giving you one of these:

1. intensive supervision order
2. conditional release order
3. detention order.

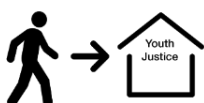
## What do I need to do?



A YJ officer will see you a few times to get information.



Your parents or carers may come.



You can meet the YJ officer at the office.

The YJ officer will talk to you about:



- you and your family



- school



- why you did the offence
- what happened **after** the offence



- how you feel about the victim



- programs that can help you stop offending.

## Must I answer the questions?



You can say as much as you want or as little as you want.



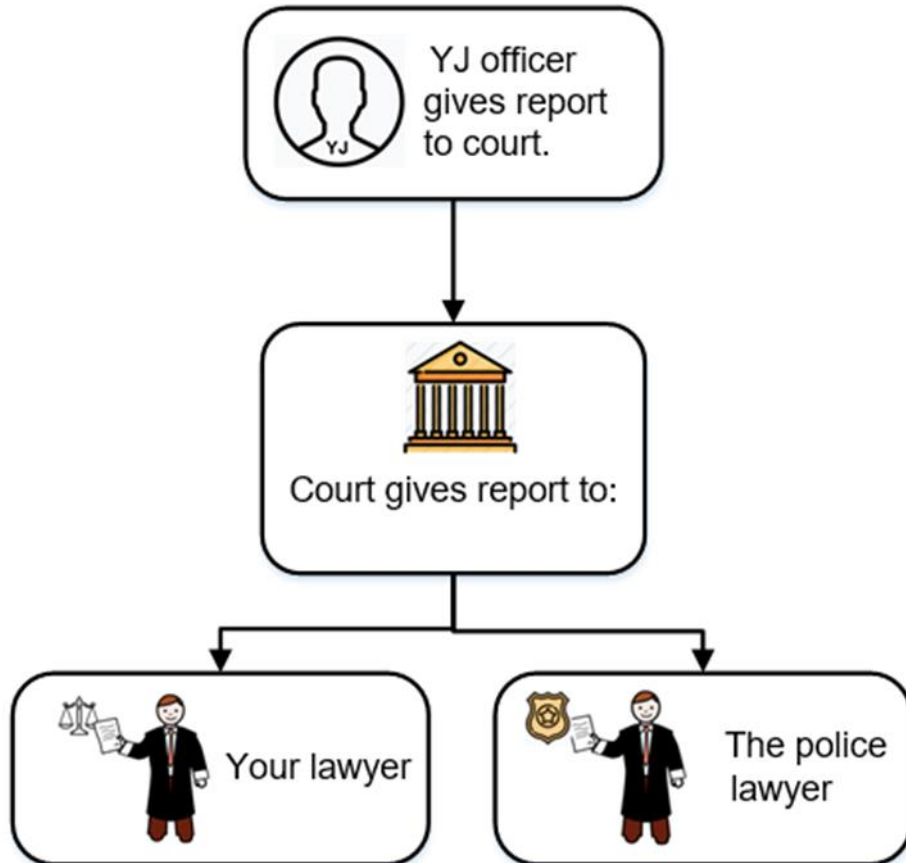
The YJ officer may put your answers in the report.



The YJ officer may also talk to other people after talking to you.

This will also help them understand what happened.

## Who gets the report?



The YJ officer will talk to you and your family or carer about the report.



You may **not** get a copy if there is private information in it.

Like, if it talks about another person.



The court may say you can **not** get a copy.



Talk to your lawyer about the report.

## Overview



## Who do I talk to in YJ?



**Ask for the intake officer.**



Where \_\_\_\_\_



Phone \_\_\_\_\_



Email \_\_\_\_\_