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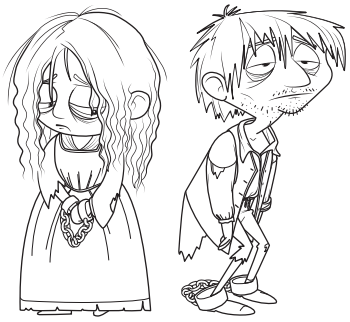
Life as a Convict - Journal Writing Task



Imagine you are poor person living in England during the late 1700s. You have been sentenced seven years transportation for committing one of the following crimes:

- stealing a loaf of bread
- stealing someone's clothes off the line
- stealing someone's horse
- sneaking on board a ship in hope of a better life in another country.

Write a journal entry as a newly convicted convict explaining your reasons for your crime.