



Prison Vocabulary & Exercises

Target Vocabulary:

- **Prison / Jail / Correctional facility** – więzienie / zakład karny
 - **Inmate / Prisoner / Offender** – więzień / skazany
 - **Cell** – cela
 - **Solitary confinement** – izolacja więzienna
 - **Parole** – zwolnienie warunkowe
 - **Probation** – nadzór kuratorski / warunkowe wykonanie wyroku
 - **Rehabilitation / Rehabilitation programs** – resocjalizacja / programy resocjalizacyjne
 - **Guard / Warden / Prison officer** – strażnik / kierownik więzienia
 - **Escape / Breakout** – ucieczka / ucieczka z więzienia
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◇ Exercise 1 – Match the Term to Its Definition

Match the prison term with the correct definition. Write the letter (A–I).

1. Prison
2. Inmate
3. Cell
4. Solitary confinement
5. Parole
6. Probation
7. Rehabilitation
8. Warden
9. Breakout

Definitions:

A) A room in which a prisoner is kept.

B) Programs designed to help prisoners reintegrate into society.

- C) A place where convicted offenders serve their sentences.
 - D) A prisoner who is released early under supervision.
 - E) The act of fleeing from prison.
 - F) A prisoner / convicted offender.
 - G) A prison staff member responsible for security and management.
 - H) A prisoner is kept alone as punishment or for safety reasons.
 - I) Conditional supervision of an offender instead of prison time.
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◇ Exercise 2 – Combine verbs with phrases

serve	grant	place	offer	check
	attempt	release	spend	

1. inmate
2. parole
3. cell
4. solitary confinement
5. rehabilitation programs
6. prison / jail / correctional facility
7. escape / breakout
8. probation

◇ Exercise 3 – Gap-Filling Sentences

Fill in the blanks with the correct term.

1. The thief was held in a _____ for two years.
2. Each _____ has a small bed and a toilet.
3. The prisoner spent a week in _____ after breaking prison rules.

4. He will be released on _____ after serving five years.
 5. The judge decided to place the offender on _____ instead of sending him to prison.
 6. The prison offers _____ to help inmates find jobs after release.
 7. A _____ ensures that the prison is safe and that inmates follow the rules.
 8. The inmate planned an _____ but was caught before leaving the facility.
 9. The old _____ is being renovated to improve security.
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♦ Exercise 4 – Odd One Out

Choose the word that does **not belong** in each group and explain why.

1. Inmate – Guard – Prisoner
 2. Cell – Solitary confinement – Rehabilitation
 3. Parole – Probation – Escape
 4. Prison – Correctional facility – Breakout
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Exercise 5 – Translate the Sentences into English

1. Więzień spędził trzy miesiące w izolacji więziennej za złamanie zasad.
→ _____
2. Po odbyciu części wyroku, skazany został zwolniony warunkowo.
→ _____
3. Strażnik zauważył, że więzień próbował uciec przez okno celi.
→ _____
4. Programy resocjalizacyjne pomagają skazanym przygotować się do życia po wyjściu na wolność.
→ _____

5. Każdy więzień ma swoją własną celę.
→ _____
6. Kierownik więzienia regularnie sprawdza stan zabezpieczeń w zakładzie karnym.
→ _____
7. Oskarżony spędził wiele lat w więzieniu.
→ _____
8. Zakład karny znajduje się z dala od miasta.
→ _____
9. Skazany musi regularnie zgłaszać się do swojego opiekuna.
→ _____

◇ Exercise 6 – Translate the Sentences into Polish

1. The inmate was moved to a different cell.
→ _____
 2. He was granted parole after serving ten years.
→ _____
 3. The prison offers rehabilitation programs to reduce recidivism.
→ _____
 4. The guard patrolled the corridors every hour.
→ _____
 5. The prisoner attempted an escape but was caught immediately.
→ _____
 6. Some prisoners spend time in solitary confinement for serious rule violations.
→ _____
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◇ Answer Key

Exercise 1 – Matching

1 – C

2 – F

3 – A

4 – H

5 – D

6 – I

7 – B

8 – G

9 – E

Exercise 2 Combine Verbs with Nouns

Verb Key Phrase

serve prison / jail / correctional facility

grant parole

place solitary confinement

offer rehabilitation programs

check cell

attempt escape / breakout

release inmate / prisoner / offender

spend probation

Exercise 3 – Gap-Filling

1. prison / jail / correctional facility
2. cell
3. solitary confinement
4. parole
5. probation
6. rehabilitation / rehabilitation programs

7. guard / warden / prison officer
8. escape / breakout
9. prison / correctional facility

Exercise 4 – Odd One Out

1. **Guard** – the only person who is not a prisoner
 2. **Rehabilitation** – it's a program, the others are places/types of confinement
 3. **Escape** – it's an action, the others are legal supervision types
 4. **Breakout** – it's an action, the others are facilities
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Exercise 5 - Suggested Translations into English

1. The inmate spent three months in **solitary confinement** for breaking the rules.
 2. After serving part of his sentence, the offender was released on **parole**.
 3. The **guard** noticed that the prisoner tried to escape through the cell window.
 4. **Rehabilitation programs** help prisoners prepare for life after release.
 5. Every prisoner has their own **cell**.
 6. The **warden** regularly checks the security of the correctional facility.
 7. The offender has spent many years in **prison**.
 8. The **prison / correctional facility** is far away from the city centre.
 9. An offender must report regularly to their supervisor.
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Exercise 6 – Suggested Translations into Polish

1. Więzień został przeniesiony do innej celi.
2. Został zwolniony warunkowo po odsiedzeniu dziesięciu lat.
3. Więzienie oferuje programy resocjalizacyjne, aby zmniejszyć recydywę.
4. Strażnik patrolował korytarze co godzinę.
5. Więzień próbował ucieczki, ale został natychmiast złapany.

6. Niektórzy więźniowie spędzają czas w izolacji więziennej za poważne naruszenia zasad.
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