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## DA Argues Menendez Brothers Don't Deserve Life Imprisonment

### Description

Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón believes that the Menendez brothers should not spend their entire life in prison. "I don't think they should be in prison until they die," Gascón said. The Menendez brothers' names are Lyle and Erik. They were found guilty of killing their parents.

A new television episode comes out on Thursday, Oct. 17. The episode is called "Menendez Brothers: Monsters or Victims?". It talks about the brothers' case and includes interviews with their friends, family, and lawyers. The episode will be available on Hulu.

Gascón is thinking about whether the brothers should have another trial. Some new evidence has come up. This includes a letter written by Erik to his cousin discussing abuse by their father before the parents were killed. Gascón said, "We have to review what is being presented to us."

Lyle and Erik killed their parents on Aug. 20, 1989. Lyle was 21 and Erik was 18. They shot their parents in their house in Beverly Hills, California. +

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **Victims** /'vɪk.tɪmz/ (noun): Individuals who suffer harm or injury often as a result of a crime.
2. **Evidence** /'eɪvɪdəns/ (noun): Facts or information indicating whether a belief or proposition is true or valid.
3. **Abuse** /ə'bjuz/ (noun): The improper and harmful treatment of someone or something.
4. **Guilty** /'gɪlti/ (adjective): Having committed an offense or crime.
5. **Trial** /'traɪəl/ (noun): A formal examination of evidence in a court to decide the guilt or innocence of a defendant.
6. **Review** /rɪ'vju:/ (verb): To examine or assess something with the possibility of change or correction.

### Vocabulary quizzes

#### Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )

1. What is a term used to describe any action that intentionally harms or injures another person?

Option: Victims

Option: Evidence

Option: Abuse

Option: Guilty



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2. What refers to the formal accusation made against someone in relation to a crime?
- Option: Accusation
  - Option: Charges
  - Option: Innocence
  - Option: Complicated
3. What term is used to describe how well a person does a particular task or activity?
- Option: Behaviour
  - Option: Championship
  - Option: Attacking
  - Option: Performance
4. What is the base upon which something stands or is supported?
- Option: Damages
  - Option: Electricity
  - Option: Foundation
  - Option: Justice
5. Which term refers to extreme anxiety sorrow or pain?
- Option: Affected
  - Option: Victims
  - Option: Distress
  - Option: Punishment
6. What is the state of being free from guilt or wrongdoing?
- Option: Charges
  - Option: Innocence
  - Option: Complicated
  - Option: Accused
7. What is a formal examination of evidence before a judge to decide if someone is guilty or innocent?
- Option: Guilty
  - Option: Trial
  - Option: Review
  - Option: Champion
8. What term describes a person officially charged with a crime?
- Option: Abuse
  - Option: Accused
  - Option: Victims
  - Option: Justice



9. What is the action of aggressively encountering or criticizing someone?

- Option: Attacking
- Option: Performance
- Option: Displayed
- Option: Evidence

10. What event or competition determines the overall winner in a particular sport or activity?

- Option: Championship
- Option: Defeated
- Option: Charges
- Option: Distress

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. During the \_\_\_\_\_ the prosecutor presented compelling testimony to prove the guilt of the accused.

12. The jury found the defendant \_\_\_\_\_ of all charges.

13. After the verdict the judge ordered a \_\_\_\_\_ of the evidence to ensure a fair trial.

14. The severity of the \_\_\_\_\_ should match the seriousness of the crime committed.

15. The defendant's erratic \_\_\_\_\_ during the trial raised doubts about their credibility.

16. The emotional trauma from the incident deeply \_\_\_\_\_ the victim and their family.

17. The prosecutor added new \_\_\_\_\_ based on the latest evidence uncovered.

18. A strong moral \_\_\_\_\_ is crucial for a just society to thrive and prosper.

19. The community \_\_\_\_\_ the tireless efforts of the legal team in seeking justice for the victims.

20. The monetary compensation awarded by the court covered both physical and emotional \_\_\_\_\_ suffered by the plaintiff.



**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. The rights and well-being of the must be a top priority in the legal system.
22. A thorough of the case revealed new evidence that changed the course of the trial.
23. The defense attorney skillfully the inconsistencies in the prosecution's argument.
24. The defendant finally confessed and pleaded to the crime.
25. The renowned lawyer was hailed as a of justice for her relentless pursuit of truth.
26. The false against the defendant tarnished their reputation and led to public outrage.
27. Proving the defendant's became the focal point of the defense strategy.
28. The pursuit of truth and fairness is at the core of the concept of in the legal system.
29. The legal team's arguments in court were met with such intensity and passion that the in the room was palpable.
30. The case became increasingly as new evidence surfaced challenging the established narrative.

**Answer**

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Abuse 2. Charges 3. Performance 4. Foundation 5. Distress 6. Innocence 7. Trial 8. Accused 9. Attacking 10. Championship

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Trial 12. Guilty 13. Review 14. Punishment 15. Behavior 16. Affected 17. Charges 18. Foundation 19. Appreciated 20. Damages

**Matching sentence:** 1. Victims 2. Review 3. Display 4. Guilty 5. Champion 6. Accusation 7. Innocence 8. Justice 9. Electricity 10. Complicated

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