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If you are really interested in the up-to-date and full details of a particular aspect of how the criminal process works, one of the standard reference works can provide the answer, if you use the contents or index carefully. The following are published annually: *Stone's Justices' Manual* (Butterworths) deals with the work of the youth courts; *Blackstone's Criminal Practice* (Oxford University Press) deals with all aspects of criminal law and practice, as does *Archbold's Criminal Pleading, Evidence and Practice* (Sweet & Maxwell). *Current Sentencing Practice* (Sweet & Maxwell), a loose-leaf encyclopaedia edited by L. Harris, is very useful for the detail on sentencing, including how the courts approach particular offences.

A. Edwards, *Advising a Suspect in the Police Station* (8th edn, Sweet & Maxwell, 2013). The author, Anthony Edwards, is a leading writer and practitioner, and this book is of value to anyone working as an appropriate adult, though it covers all suspects who are being questioned.

J. Muncie *Youth and Crime* (4th edition. Sage 2015) is a good introduction to the study of criminology in respect of youth.

The Youth Justice Board is an agency with a statutory responsibility to prevent offending by children. Its website is usefully and accessibly organized, for example to take you through custodial and community sentences one at a time https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/youth-justice-board-for-england-and-wales.

NACRO (National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders) has an excellent list of publications, too long for inclusion here, but worth visiting: www.nacro.org.uk.