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Man spent five years too long in prison

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

An administration error in the prisons system in Samoa resulted in a man being incarcerated for five years longer than he was sentenced to serve. Sio Agafili, 45, should have been released from prison in December 2015 after serving two concurrent jail terms. In November 2008, Mr Agafili was convicted of burglary and theft and sentenced to seven years in prison. A month later he was found guilty of other misdemeanours and slapped with a five-year sentence. The default procedure in Samoa's criminal justice system is that a convict with two sentences must serve them concurrently and not consecutively. The error was spotted recently by a judge when Mr Agafili appeared in court on another charge.

In an interview with the Samoa Observer newspaper, Agafili described his anguish at spending too long behind bars. He said: "It's broken me into a million pieces. No one told me when my jail term would end. I lost count of the days. I don't remember much about when I should be out. I just know I had to serve my time behind bars." Mr Agafili's lawyer Muriel Lui spoke to reporters about the injustice suffered by her client. She said: "He's been imprisoned unlawfully. I've heard of other cases of a similar nature. This is not the first of this type." She added: "His right to liberty has definitely been breached." Ms Lui said that she would be seeking compensation for her client.

Sources: <https://www.rnz.co.nz/international/pacific-news/420724/samoa-man-jailed-for-5-years-too-long>
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/jul/08/no-one-told-me-samoan-man-serves-five-more-years-in-prison-than-he-had-to>
<https://www.samoobserver.ws/category/samoa/66126>

WARM-UPS

1. JAIL: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about jail. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

error / incarcerated / sentence / jail / burglary / theft / guilty / criminal / judge /
interview / anguish / count / behind bars / lawyer / reporters / nature / compensation

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. PRISON: Students A **strongly** believe prison is the best way to punish people; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4 ERROR: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "error". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

5. PUNISHMENTS: Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- prison
- community service
- fines
- education
- corporal punishment
- capital punishment
- tagging
- house arrest

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-------------------|--|
| 1. administration | a. Imprisoned or confined. |
| 2. incarcerated | b. Declare someone to be guilty of a criminal offense. |
| 3. concurrent | c. The process or activity of running a business, organization, etc. |
| 4. convicted | d. Small acts of dishonest or illegal behaviour. |
| 5. burglary | e. Entry into a building illegally to steal things. |
| 6. misdemeanours | f. One after another without interruption. |
| 7. consecutively | g. Existing, happening, or done at the same time. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 8. anguish | h. Something (usually money) awarded to someone because they suffered pain, loss or injury. |
| 9. behind bars | i. A total lack of fairness; being greatly wronged. |
| 10. term | j. The state of being free within society from restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life. |
| 11. injustice | k. Severe mental or physical pain or suffering. |
| 12. liberty | l. In prison. |
| 13. breached | m. Broke or failed to observe a law, agreement, or code of conduct. |
| 14. compensation | n. A fixed or limited period for which something lasts. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. A man was put in prison in Samoa for the wrong reason. **T / F**
- b. The man should have been released from prison earlier this year. **T / F**
- c. The man was found guilty of burglary and theft. **T / F**
- d. In Samoa, two prison sentences must be served one after the other. **T / F**
- e. The man said he spent a long time in front of bars. **T / F**
- f. The man said he lost count of the days he spent in prison. **T / F**
- g. A lawyer said it is the first time she has heard of unlawful imprisonment. **T / F**
- h. The lawyer will try to get compensation for her client. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. error | a. freedom |
| 2. incarcerated | b. wrongdoing |
| 3. released | c. pain |
| 4. misdemeanours | d. set free |
| 5. concurrently | e. unfairness |
| 6. anguish | f. mistake |
| 7. injustice | g. damages |
| 8. cases | h. simultaneously |
| 9. liberty | i. imprisoned |
| 10. compensation | j. examples |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|----------------------|
| 1. An administration | a. a million pieces |
| 2. incarcerated | b. of burglary |
| 3. convicted | c. another charge |
| 4. serve them concurrently and | d. nature |
| 5. Mr Agafili appeared in court on | e. compensation |
| 6. It's broken me into | f. for five years |
| 7. I had to serve my | g. been breached |
| 8. other cases of a similar | h. error |
| 9. His right to liberty has definitely | i. time behind bars |
| 10. seeking | j. not consecutively |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

An administration (1) _____ in the prisons system in Samoa resulted in a man being incarcerated for five years longer than he was (2) _____ to serve. Sio Agafili, 45, should have been released from prison in December 2015 after serving two (3) _____ jail terms. In November 2008, Mr Agafili was convicted of burglary and (4) _____ and sentenced to seven years in prison. A month later he was found (5) _____ of other misdemeanours and slapped with a five-year sentence. The (6) _____ procedure in Samoa's criminal justice system is that a (7) _____ with two sentences must serve them concurrently and not consecutively. The error was spotted recently by a judge when Mr Agafili appeared in court on another (8) _____.

sentenced

guilty

convict

theft

charge

error

concurrent

default

In an interview with the Samoa Observer newspaper, Agafili described his (9) _____ at spending too long behind bars. He said: "It's broken me into a (10) _____ pieces. No one told me when my jail term would end. I lost (11) _____ of the days. I don't remember much about when I should be out. I just know I had to serve my (12) _____ behind bars." Mr Agafili's lawyer Muriel Lui spoke to reporters about the injustice (13) _____ by her client. She said: "He's been imprisoned unlawfully. I've heard of other cases of a similar (14) _____. This is not the first of this type." She added: "His right to liberty has (15) _____ been breached." Ms Lui said that she would be seeking (16) _____ for her client.

million

suffered

compensation

anguish

definitely

time

count

nature

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) error in the prisons system in Samoa resulted in a man _____
 - a. been incarcerated
 - b. be in incarcerated
 - c. being incarcerated
 - d. be incarcerated
- 2) for five years longer than he was sentenced _____
 - a. to serve
 - b. too surge
 - c. to swerve
 - d. to suave
- 3) he was found guilty of other misdemeanours and _____ five-year sentence
 - a. slipped with a
 - b. swapped with a
 - c. slopped with a
 - d. slapped with a
- 4) a convict with two sentences must serve them concurrently _____
 - a. and not consecutive
 - b. and not connectivity
 - c. and not cons actively
 - d. and not consecutively
- 5) when Mr Agafili appeared in court _____
 - a. on another change
 - b. on another charge
 - c. on another chart
 - d. on another char
- 6) In an interview with the Samoa Observer newspaper, Agafili _____
 - a. describe this anguish
 - b. described this anguish
 - c. describe his anguish
 - d. described his anguish
- 7) I just know I had to serve my _____
 - a. time beyond boars
 - b. time behind bar
 - c. time beyond bards
 - d. time behind bars
- 8) I've heard of other cases of _____
 - a. assimilate nature
 - b. a symmetric nature
 - c. as miller nature
 - d. a similar nature
- 9) She added: "His right to liberty has definitely _____."
 - a. been breached
 - b. been broached
 - c. been beached
 - d. been benched
- 10) Ms Lui said that she would be seeking _____ client
 - a. compensation frame her
 - b. compensation form her
 - c. compensation from her
 - d. compensation for her

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

An administration error in the (1) _____ Samoa resulted in a man being incarcerated for five years longer than he was sentenced to serve. Sio Agafili, 45, should have (2) _____ prison in December 2015 after serving two (3) _____. In November 2008, Mr Agafili was convicted of burglary and theft and sentenced to seven years in prison. A month later he was (4) _____ other misdemeanours and slapped with a five-year sentence. The default procedure in Samoa's criminal justice system is (5) _____ with two sentences must serve them concurrently and not consecutively. The error was spotted recently by a judge when Mr Agafili appeared in court (6) _____.

In an interview with the Samoa Observer newspaper, Agafili described his anguish at spending too (7) _____. He said: "It's broken me into a million pieces. No one told me when my (8) _____ end. I lost count of the days. I don't remember much about when I should be out. I just know I had to (9) _____ behind bars." Mr Agafili's lawyer Muriel Lui spoke to reporters about the (10) _____ her client. She said: "He's been imprisoned unlawfully. I've heard of other cases of (11) _____. This is not the first of this type." She added: "His (12) _____ has definitely been breached." Ms Lui said that she would be seeking compensation for her client.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

1. What kind of error did the article say had been made?
2. For how long was Mr Agafili sentenced for burglary?
3. How long was the second jail term Mr Agafili received?
4. How must two sentences given to a convict be served in Samoa?
5. Who spotted the error?
6. What is the name of the newspaper Mr Agafili was interviewed by?
7. Into how many pieces did Mr Agafili say he had been broken?
8. What did Mr Agafili lose count of?
9. What did Mr Agafili's lawyer say had happened to his liberty?
10. What is Mr Agafili's lawyer seeking for him?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

- 1) What kind of error did the article say had been made?
 - a) a huge error
 - b) an administration error
 - c) an easy-to-make error
 - d) an unforgiveable error
- 2) For how long was Mr Agafili sentenced for burglary?
 - a) five years
 - b) eight years
 - c) six years
 - d) seven years
- 3) How long was the second jail term Mr Agafili received?
 - a) eight years
 - b) six years
 - c) five years
 - d) seven years
- 4) How must two sentences given to a convict be served in Samoa?
 - a) concurrently
 - b) well
 - c) consecutively
 - d) in full
- 5) Who spotted the error?
 - a) a convict
 - b) a judge
 - c) a reporter
 - d) a police officer
- 6) What is the name of the newspaper Mr Agafili was interviewed by?
 - a) The Samoa Observer
 - b) The Prison Times
 - c) The New York Times
 - d) South Pacific News
- 7) Into how many pieces did Mr Agafili say he had been broken?
 - a) a billion
 - b) six or seven
 - c) a million
 - d) gazillions
- 8) What did Mr Agafili lose count of?
 - a) days
 - b) cells
 - c) prisons
 - d) names
- 9) What did Mr Agafili's lawyer say had happened to his liberty?
 - a) nothing
 - b) it was stolen
 - c) it had been returned
 - d) it has been breached
- 10) What is Mr Agafili's lawyer seeking for him?
 - a) better conditions
 - b) a new job
 - c) compensation
 - d) liberty

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Prison

You think prison is the best form of punishment. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): fines, house arrest or capital punishment.

Role B – Fines

You think fines are the best form of punishment. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): prison, house arrest or capital punishment.

Role C – House Arrest

You think house arrest is the best form of punishment. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): fines, prison or capital punishment.

Role D – Capital Punishment

You think capital punishment is the best form of punishment. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their forms. Also, tell the others which is the least effective of these (and why): fines, house arrest or prison.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'jail' and 'sentence'.

jail	sentence

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• sentenced• terms• theft• guilty• default• another	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• anguish• pieces• count• suffered• nature• right
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JAIL SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about jail in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

JAIL DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'prison'?
3. What do you think of prisons?
4. How would you feel about going to prison?
5. Do you think prison is the best way to punish people?
6. How would you feel if you were the man in this story?
7. What should be the punishment for burglary?
8. What do you think of your country's criminal justice system?
9. Should two prison sentences be served consecutively?
10. What advice do you have for Mr Agafili?

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JAIL DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'sentence'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What kind of anguish do you think Mr Agafili felt?
15. How would you count the days in prison?
16. How tough should prison be?
17. What would you do on your first day out of prison?
18. Do you think you would be a good judge?
19. What kind of compensation should Mr Agafili get?
20. What questions would you like to ask Mr Agafili?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|-----------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1. | (a) errata | (b) error | (c) erratum | (d) err |
| 2. | (a) incinerated | (b) incarcerated | (c) inculcated | (d) indoctrinated |
| 3. | (a) concave | (b) concreted | (c) currency | (d) concurrent |
| 4. | (a) to | (b) of | (c) by | (d) on |
| 5. | (a) slurped | (b) slapped | (c) slipped | (d) slopped |
| 6. | (a) conduct | (b) evict | (c) convict | (d) victor |
| 7. | (a) season | (b) justify | (c) anguish | (d) reception |
| 8. | (a) veins | (b) arteries | (c) pieces | (d) cells |
| 9. | (a) semester | (b) longing | (c) hours | (d) time |
| 10. | (a) as | (b) on | (c) of | (d) by |
| 11. | (a) nature | (b) environment | (c) idyll | (d) network |
| 12. | (a) reeking | (b) peeking | (c) seeking | (d) wreaking |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. An nimtdiaoitnras error
2. a man being ieandccartr for five years
3. serving two oenrcnutrc jail terms
4. convicted of ugrrlaby and theft
5. The default pedreourc
6. not csilyonvceteu

Paragraph 2

7. Agafili described his suaghin
8. the niuctjes suffered by her client
9. He's been imprisoned unawfllyul
10. His right to telriby has
11. definitely been edeabrch
12. seeking oocaennpsimt for her client

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () long behind bars. He said: "It's broken me into a million pieces. No one told me when my jail term would end. I lost
- () for five years longer than he was sentenced to serve. Sio Agafili, 45, should have been released from
- () convicted of burglary and theft and sentenced to seven years in prison. A month later he was found
- () prison in December 2015 after serving two concurrent jail terms. In November 2008, Mr Agafili was
- () been breached." Ms Lui said that she would be seeking compensation for her client.
- () system is that a convict with two sentences must serve them concurrently and not consecutively. The error was
- (**1**) An administration error in the prisons system in Samoa resulted in a man being incarcerated
- () time behind bars." Mr Agafili's lawyer Muriel Lui spoke to reporters about the injustice suffered
- () spotted recently by a judge when Mr Agafili appeared in court on another charge.
- () count of the days. I don't remember much about when I should be out. I just know I had to serve my
- () cases of a similar nature. This is not the first of this type." She added: "His right to liberty has definitely
- () In an interview with the Samoa Observer newspaper, Agafili described his anguish at spending too
- () by her client. She said: "He's been imprisoned unlawfully. I've heard of other
- () guilty of other misdemeanours and slapped with a five-year sentence. The default procedure in Samoa's criminal justice

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. administration An the in system . prisons error
2. years . seven and burglary of Convicted to sentenced
3. he guilty . later A was month found
4. in procedure The system . default justice Samoa's criminal
5. recently a by error The judge . spotted was
6. long at too spending behind bars . His anguish
7. to had time behind bars . serve my I
8. heard nature . similar of cases I've a of
9. breached . has liberty His to right definitely been
10. seeking her client . for compensation be would She

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2007/200710-jail-sentence.html>

An administration *erratum* / *error* in the prisons system in Samoa resulted in a man being *incarcerated* / *incinerated* for five years longer than he was sentenced to serve. Sio Agafili, 45, should have been released from prison in December 2015 after *saving* / *serving* two concurrent jail terms. In November 2008, Mr Agafili was *convicted* / *evicted* of burglary and *theft* / *thief* and sentenced to seven years in prison. A month later he was found guilty *at* / *of* other misdemeanours and *slipped* / *slapped* with a five-year sentence. The *fault* / *default* procedure in Samoa's criminal justice system is that a convict with two sentences must serve them *concurrently* / *currency* and not consecutively. The error was spotted recently by a judge when Mr Agafili appeared in court *on* / *in* another charge.

In an interview *on* / *with* the Samoa Observer newspaper, Agafili described his anguish *at* / *to* spending too long behind bars. He said: "It's broken me into a million *places* / *pieces*. No one told me when my jail *term* / *theme* would end. I lost *count* / *counter* of the days. I don't remember much about when I should be out. I just know I had to serve my time behind bars." Mr Agafili's lawyer Muriel Lui spoke to reporters about the *judicial* / *injustice* suffered by her *client* / *clientele*. She said: "He's been imprisoned unlawfully. I've heard of other cases of a *similar* / *similarity* nature. This is not the first of this type." She added: "His right to liberty has definitely been *bleached* / *breached*." Ms Lui said that she would be seeking *compensation* / *condensation* for her client.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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FREE WRITING

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Write about **jail** for 10 minutes. Comment on your partner’s paper.

ACADEMIC WRITING

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Prison is not a good punishment. Discuss.

HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. JAIL: Make a poster about jail. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. CLOSE JAILS: Write a magazine article about closing all jails and switching to an alternative form of punishment. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on jail. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions on jail. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. a 3. g 4. b 5. e 6. d 7. f
8. k 9. l 10. n 11. i 12. j 13. m 14. h

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b F c T d F e F f T g F h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. f	2. i	3. d	4. b	5. h
6. c	7. e	8. j	9. a	10. g

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. An administration error
2. Seven years
3. Five years
4. Concurrently
5. A judge
6. The Samoa Observer
7. A million
8. The days
9. It had been breached
10. Compensation

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. An administration error in the prisons system.
2. Convicted of burglary and sentenced to seven years.
3. A month later he was found guilty.
4. The default procedure in Samoa's criminal justice system.
5. The error was spotted recently by a judge.
6. His anguish at spending too long behind bars.
7. I had to serve my time behind bars.
8. I've heard of cases of a similar nature.
9. His right to liberty has definitely been breached.
10. She would be seeking compensation for her client.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. a 2. c 3. b 4. d 5. a 6. d 7. b 8. d 9. c 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)