**Canadian Prisons**

***Vocabulary***

Rehabilitation

Inhumane

Pretense

Homicide rate

Penitentiary

Inmate

Indigenous

Subject to

Solitary confinement

Parole

Condemned

Infrastructure

CBC

Perpetrator

Rehabilitate

Hygienic

Correctional officer

Grim

Incarcerated

Perplexing

Accomplice

seize

Shiver

illicit

appeal (court)

***Pre-Reading Questions***

1. What is the purpose of prison?
2. What is the difference between minimum security and maximum-security prisons?
3. What do you think prisons in Canada are like compared to other countries?
4. What kind of people end up in prisons?
5. How big is the Correctional Services Canada’s budget?
6. What is restorative justice?

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***Questions While Reading***

1. How many murders occur in Canadian prisons (last year)?
2. What are some of the issues with Canadian prisons according to Justin Ling?
3. The article says that Canadian prisons are racist. Which population is over-represented?
4. What are some of the issues that indigenous and black people face in Canadian prisons?
5. Why do you think the article says some prisons need to be torn down?
6. What are some of the mental health issues facing inmates today?
7. How many prisoners are returned to prison within two years?
8. What are some issues related to nutrition in Canadian prisons?

***Discussion Questions***

1. Are prisons effective?
2. What alternatives can you think of?
3. Are Canadians **wasting** money on prisons?
4. How can we better prepare prisoners for life after prison?
5. Compare Canadian prisons to Korean prisons.
6. Should Korea use restorative justice more?