

QUESTION 1
(One hour)

Knowing from prior experiences that the annual sale at Cowmart brings large crowds and chaos, Adam and Bea, husband and wife, decided to take advantage of the melee and fill a shopping cart with expensive video games and rush out of the store without paying.

After entering the store, Calvin, store security, focused his attention on the couple filling their cart with video games. When Adam and Bea rushed out of the store with the cart, Calvin gave chase with his revolver in hand. As Adam and Bea were getting into the truck, Calvin shot toward them in order to get their attention and stop them. The bullet accidentally hit Bea. Bea died from that injury. Adam pushed her lifeless body out of the truck and in doing so, her body bounced out, hitting Calvin.

Calvin got up off the pavement and jumped into the back of Adam's truck. As Adam rushed out of the parking lot with Calvin in tow, Calvin begged Adam (through the open back window) to stop, saying that he wanted in on the video theft. With Bea gone, Adam stopped the truck, and agreed that Calvin could get half of the money upon resale. Actually, Calvin had no such intent, but instead intended to call the police and have Adam arrested.

After reaching Adam's house, they both began drinking large amounts of tequila. Drunk, Calvin kiddingly pointed his revolver at Adam and said, "Stick 'em up?" Also intoxicated, Adam feared that he was being robbed and grabbed a kitchen knife and chopped off Calvin's trigger finger.

What crime or crimes have been committed by the parties, if any?

Answer at common law and modern law, if applicable.

QUESTION 2
(One hour)

Steve, a cashier at 7-11, is friends with Rick. They decided to play a joke on Rick's girlfriend, Tina, and make it look as if Rick was committing a robbery on Steve.

While out on a date, Rick told Tina that he wanted to stop at 7-11 to buy a beer. When Rick and Tina reached the cashier (as planned), Steve feigned being scared when Rick pulled out a fake gun and yelled, "Give me all you got!" Afraid that Rick had gone bonkers, Tina grabbed the bottle of beer and hit Rick over the head, rendering him unconscious. Fearing for Rick's life, Steve, pulled out his firearm and shot Tina. Rick came to and realized that this joke had not gone as planned.

Rick and Steve, feeling responsible for killing Tina, decided to wrap her body in butcher's paper and place her in the dumpster behind 7-11. Tina was not actually dead. She died after being crushed in the garbage truck that picked up the bin the following day.

Later that night when Steve's shift was over, he and Rick decided to sneak into Tina's parent's house (where Tina lived) and take all of her essentials (makeup, clothing, and toiletries) to make it seem as if she ran away. After hearing a scratching sound at the window, Bob, Tina's dad, thought the pesky raccoons had returned and from inside shot into the dark room toward the window to scare them away. As Rick was straddling the window to get into Tina's bedroom, he got caught up in the curtain. The bullet missed Rick's body, but went through his cowboy hat. Scared, he and Steve ran off. Bob did not see Rick or Steve.

What crime or crimes have been committed by the parties, if any?

Answer at common and common law, where applicable.