

An Inconvenient Truth

- (1) Last summer an employee at a convenience store noticed something strange.
- (2) A young man was trying to purchase some beer and magazines with a credit card.
- (3) But the name on the card was a woman's name.
- (4) When the clerk asked him about this, the young man looked nervous and ran out of the store.
- (5) The employee called the police.
- (6) By the time the police arrived, the young man was gone.
- (7) But two hours later, he tried to use the card again.
- (8) This time, he attempted to buy an expensive LCD television at an electronics store.
- (9) When a staff member questioned him about the card, he tried to flee.
- (10) But two young customers held him.
- (11) He could not escape.
- (12) When the police got there, they arrested the young man.
- (13) They did not charge him, because it was only his first offence.
- (14) The card owner was very relieved when police returned her card.
- (15) She said she did not notice that it was missing.

語注

inconvenient 都合の悪い

(1) employee 従業員 notice 気がつく

(2) purchase 購入する

(8) attempt to do …しようと試みる LCD television 液晶テレビ

(9) flee 逃げる

(12) arrest 逮捕する

(13) charge 告発する offence 違反、犯罪

(14) relieved 安心した、ほっとした

(15) missing 行方不明の、紛失した