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**Suffragettes dual site visit**

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5. **Old Bailey**
   - Old Bailey is the name of a street that runs from Ludgate Hill to Newgate Street. The road follows the line of the old fortified wall (the bailey) of the City. Today, Old Bailey is best known for the Central Criminal Court, which is also known as the Old Bailey. There has been a court here for centuries.
   - The Old Bailey is a crown court. It hears major criminal cases from London, and sometimes from other parts of the country. Emmeline Pankhurst was tried here in May 1912 and again in March 1913.