Ibert Timen, 37, and Avi Nardia, 45, are former members of Israel's special forces. Albert is one of the few people in the world to have arrested a suicide bomber - in Tel Aviv, when the bomber's explosives failed to detonate.

Avi and Albert travel the world teaching Kapap, the self-defence technique they mastered during their military service. They were recently in Sheffield, coaching adults and children with local instructor Craig Welsh and his wife Debbie (see their advertisement below).

Can children learn effective self-defence?

Yes. For example, we teach youngsters that if someone tries to abduct them from a shopping centre,

they must wrap their arms around the nearest adult's leg - and scream.

If someone tries to grab a child who is on a bicycle, the kid should cling to the bike. It's very difficult to quickly lift a child and a bicycle into a car.

What self-defence advice do you give women?

another route. If you are attacked do not behave passively. Scream! Scream! Most rapists interviewed in a



prison survey said they did what they did because women did not resist. Remember that the pen in your pocket can be a deadly stabbing instrument. So can a key. Long nails can make a mess of a man's eyes. And then there is the most powerful muscle in a woman's body - her jaw. Rapists hate having their noses bitten off.

Should we ever attack a mugger?

Always try to avoid a fight. In dodgy areas of the world carry two wallets. You should have a nice wad of low-denomination bills. It is this one you meekly hand to the mugger.

But what if a fight is unavoidable?

It's best not to punch with a clenched fist, because you might break a knuckle. Strike with the heel of your hand.

Should we kick assailants in the goolies?

Difficult to do. You could easily miss your target. It's easier to kick hard at your attacker's shin or knee.

And then?

Run for it!

Think ahead - don't walk down that dark alley if you can take

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