



LAW

Paper 1 English Legal System

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **seven** questions in total:
Section A: answer **all** questions.
Section B: answer **two** questions.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Section A

Answer **all** questions.

- 1 Identify **one** case in which the mischief rule of statutory interpretation was used by a judge. [1]
- 2 Identify **two** courts which hear criminal appeals from the Magistrates' Court. [2]
- 3 Describe **three** roles of the Law Commission. [6]
- 4 Describe **three** types of work carried out by legal executives. [6]
- 5 Discuss the disadvantages of arbitration as a method of dispute resolution. [10]

Section B

Answer **two** questions.

- 6 (a) Explain the powers of the Supreme Court to depart from otherwise binding precedent. [10]
(b) Discuss whether the system of precedent allows the law to develop. [15]
- 7 (a) Explain how the members of a jury are vetted and challenged. [10]
(b) Assess whether jury members are truly unbiased. [15]
- 8 (a) Explain what is meant by parliamentary supremacy. [10]
(b) Discuss whether the limitations on parliamentary supremacy are effective. [15]

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