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International Advanced Level

Law
Paper 1

Friday 22 May 2015 – Morning
Time: 3 hours

Paper Reference
YLA0/01

You must have:
Answer book (AB16)

Instructions

- In the boxes on the answer book, write your centre number, candidate number, your surname and initials, the paper reference (YLA0/01) and your signature.
- Answer **FOUR** questions: **TWO** questions from Part One and **TWO** questions from Part Two.
- Your answers must be fully supported with appropriate legal authority and examples.
- Answer your questions in the answer book.
- Indicate which questions you are answering, in the boxes on the front page of the answer book **AND** in the left-hand margin of the answer space.
- Do not use pencil. Use blue or black ink.

Information

- All questions carry equal marks.
- The total mark for this paper is 100.
- This paper has 10 questions. Page 4 is blank.

Advice

- Write your answers neatly and in good English.

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Answer FOUR questions.

TWO questions must be chosen from Part One and TWO questions must be chosen from Part Two.

PART ONE

1 "Law and morals frequently overlap but are never identical." Explain and evaluate this statement.

(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

2 "The rule of law is too vague and **controversial** a concept to have any real significance." Explain and evaluate this statement.

(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)

3 "Equity should not be confused with fairness. **Equity** is, and always has been, more a matter of practical considerations, and has generally been too rigid." Explain and evaluate this statement.

(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)

4 "Retribution is a stronger justification for punishment than either deterrence or rehabilitation." Explain and evaluate this statement.

(Total for Question 4 = 25 marks)

5 "The Human Rights Act 1998 is unique in its impact on UK Law." Explain and evaluate this statement.

(Total for Question 5 = 25 marks)

TOTAL FOR PART ONE = 50 MARKS

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PART TWO

6 "The purposive approach to statutory interpretation is problematic as judges tend to confuse it with their own opinions." Explain and evaluate this statement.

(Total for Question 6 = 25 marks)

7 "Judges seldom refer to previous cases because they have developed so many methods of avoiding the strict application of the doctrine of judicial precedent." Explain and evaluate this statement.

(Total for Question 7 = 25 marks)

8 Evaluate the view that legal aid in England and Wales is now beyond the reach of many deserving claimants.

(Total for Question 8 = 25 marks)

9 To what extent do tribunals in the UK now fulfil their original goals of openness, fairness and impartiality?

(Total for Question 9 = 25 marks)

10 What are the primary and secondary sources of European Union Law? Explain and evaluate the distinction between direct applicability and direct effect.

(Total for Question 10 = 25 marks)

TOTAL FOR PART TWO = 50 MARKS
TOTAL FOR PAPER = 100 MARKS

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