



GCE A LEVEL

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TUESDAY, 3 JUNE 2025 – AFTERNOON

LAW – A level component 2
Substantive Law in Practice

2 hours 15 minutes

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ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do not use gel pen or correction fluid.

Answer **three** questions in total, each question from a different section.

Section A – Law of Contract (private law)

Section B – Law of Tort (private law)

Section C – Criminal Law (public law)

Section D – Human Rights Law (public law)

The same three sections that you choose for this examination must also be chosen for the component 3 examination.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided, following the instructions on the front of the answer booklet.

Use both sides of the paper. Write only within the white areas of the booklet.

Write the question number in the two boxes in the left-hand margin at the start of each answer,

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Leave at least two line spaces between each answer.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

Answer **three** questions in total.

Section A

Law of Contract

Answer **one** question from this section if you have studied this area of private law.

The questions which follow require you to:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system
- apply legal rules and principles to the scenario and
- present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology.

Credit will be given for the use of relevant supporting case law and authority.

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Emma is a vintage car enthusiast and has been searching for several months for a 1965 Ford Mustang. One day, she comes across an advertisement online posted by Jack, a vintage car dealer, offering a 1965 Ford Mustang in excellent condition for sale at £30,000. Excited about the opportunity, Emma contacts Jack to express her interest in purchasing the car. During their conversation, Jack tells Emma that the car has only had one previous owner, a collector who meticulously maintained it, and that it has never been involved in any accidents or undergone major repairs. He also assures Emma that the car's mileage is genuine and accurately reflects its usage over the years. Relying on Jack's representations, Emma agrees to purchase the car and signs a contract with Jack for the sale of the 1965 Ford Mustang. After taking possession of the car and driving it for a few weeks, Emma starts to notice several issues with the vehicle. She discovers that the car's mileage has been tampered with, and upon further inspection by a certified mechanic, she learns that the car has undergone significant repairs in the past, including engine replacement and frame restoration. Additionally, she finds evidence that the car had been involved in a serious accident prior to her purchase.

Advise Emma as to whether there was a misrepresentation, applying your knowledge and understanding of legal rules and principles. [25]

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Rahima enters into a contract to renovate her kitchen with Builder's Choice Ltd. The contract stipulates that the work will commence on January 1st and be completed within two months. Rahima pays a deposit of £2000 as per the agreement. However, Builder's Choice Ltd fails to start work on the agreed-upon date. Rahima contacts them several times, but they keep delaying the start date without providing a valid reason. By mid-February, Builder's Choice Ltd still hasn't commenced any work, and Rahima is becoming increasingly frustrated and worried about the delay. Meanwhile, Rahima's friend offers to renovate her kitchen at a similar price and guarantees completion within one month. Fed up with Builder's Choice Ltd's constant delays and breach of contract, Rahima decides to terminate the agreement with them and hires her friend instead to carry out the renovation work.

Advise Rahima on whether a discharge of contract has occurred with Builder's Choice Ltd, applying your knowledge and understanding of legal rules and principles. [25]

Section B

Law of Tort

Answer **one** question from this section if you have studied this area of private law.

The questions which follow require you to:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system
- apply legal rules and principles to the scenario and
- present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology.

Credit will be given for the use of relevant supporting case law and authority.

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Molly is the owner of a small boutique clothing store in a busy shopping centre. She employs two sales assistants, Penny and Kim, to help run the store. Molly has entrusted both Penny and Kim with the responsibility of assisting customers, handling cash transactions and ensuring the store remains clean and organised. One busy Saturday afternoon, Penny accidentally spills a bottle of oil-based perfume on the floor while rearranging a display. She fails to clean up the spill immediately, assuming it will evaporate on its own. A few minutes later, a customer, Eileen, enters the store and slips on the oily patch, falling and breaking her arm. As a result of the incident, Eileen has to pay medical expenses and is unable to work for several weeks, causing her to suffer financial losses. She decides to take legal action against Molly's boutique, claiming compensation for her injuries and losses.

Advise Molly as to whether she is vicariously liable for the consequences of Penny's potential negligence in injuring Eileen, applying your knowledge and understanding of legal rules and principles. [25]

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Amy is a keen gardener and decided to hire a professional landscaping company, GreenThumb Landscapes Ltd, to redesign her back garden. During the initial consultation, Amy expressed her desire to have a fishpond installed in her garden. GreenThumb assured Amy that they would handle the project with utmost care and expertise. After agreeing on the design, GreenThumb began excavating the area for the pond. However, during the excavation process, the workers accidentally damaged a water pipe running beneath Amy's property. As a result, Amy's garden and the basement of her house were flooded, causing significant damage to her property and belongings. Amy incurred substantial financial losses in repairing the damages caused by the flooding.

Advise Amy of any legal action she may be able to take under the tort of negligence, applying your knowledge and understanding of legal rules and principles. [25]

Section C

Criminal Law

Answer **one** question from this section if you have studied this area of public law.

The questions which follow require you to:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system
- apply legal rules and principles to the scenario and
- present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology.

Credit will be given for the use of relevant supporting case law and authority.

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Alex and Mark have been supporting their local football team all day, and have now gone to the pub for a drink. Sam, a supporter of the other team, enters the pub and Alex and Mark start shouting at him, "Get out of our town". This soon escalates to them shouting insulting remarks. Finally, Sam says, "If you were not so drunk, I would hit you for saying those things". Alex responds, "I am not too drunk to sort you out", and grabs hold of Sam's shirt. Sam, who is shocked by Alex's actions, hits Alex in the face with his clenched fist. This causes Alex to stagger backwards and collide with Mark. Mark responds by punching Sam in the face. In the meantime, James, who is wearing the same football shirt as Sam, is terrified that he is going to get beaten up because Mark is now screaming, "You all need to watch out", whilst brandishing the end of a smashed bottle. Meanwhile, Sam, who is still angry with Alex, decides to continue the fight outside, where he kicks and punches Alex repeatedly, breaking three of Alex's ribs.

Advise Alex, Mark and Sam as to whether they have committed any non-fatal offences, applying your knowledge and understanding of legal rules and principles.

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Sarah has been suffering from depression since the birth of her daughter two years ago. In a bid to cheer herself up, she decides to host a party and invites lots of people, including her best friend Lisa. As the night progresses, Lisa informs Sarah that she believes Sarah's husband, Tim, is having an affair, and is planning on leaving Sarah. Consumed by a mixture of anger, betrayal and despair, Sarah confronts her husband Tim in the kitchen, and they have a heated argument during which Tim taunts Sarah, rubbing her emotions and dismissing her concerns. Unable to contain her rage any longer, Sarah grabs a nearby frying pan and strikes Tim on the head, causing him to collapse to the ground. Sarah immediately calls the police and paramedics, but despite their efforts, Tim is pronounced dead at the scene. Sarah is subsequently arrested and charged with murder.

Advise Sarah as to whether she may have any defences to a charge of murder, applying your knowledge and understanding of legal rules and principles.

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Section D

Human Rights Law

Answer **one** question from this section if you have studied this area of public law.

The questions which follow require you to:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system
- apply legal rules and principles to the scenario and
- present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology.

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Due to proposed changes to council policies regarding environmental regulations, Tesni, the leader of a group of environmental activists, has organised a march to the council offices, to voice their concerns about the potential impact of the new policies on the environment. The march starts peacefully, with activists carrying placards, banners and megaphones, passionately calling for immediate council intervention to combat the escalating climate crisis. Despite the peaceful nature of the demonstration, a counter-protest group forms nearby, made up of individuals who support the proposed policy changes. Some individuals from both sides become confrontational, and begin to shout aggressive slogans at each other. Some of the protestors block traffic by sitting in the middle of the road and some chain themselves to lampposts. Concerned about public safety and the risk of the situation spiralling out of control, Inspector Jackson and his officers arrive on the scene to assess the situation, and attempt to restore order. Inspector Jackson orders all the protesters to stop marching and to leave the area. Despite the police intervention, the protesters continue to march. Fearing trouble, Inspector Jackson radios for reinforcements. Several police vans arrive, filled with officers who impose a tight cordon around the marchers and keep them there for six hours.

Advise Tesni as to whether any public order offences have been committed in this situation, applying your knowledge and understanding of rules and principles. [25]

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A charity shop was having a 'buy one, get one free' sale. Ellie bought a jacket but could not find anything else in the shop which fitted her. The shop assistant pointed to a rack of clothes which was on display outside the shop, and suggested that Ellie might like to take one of those. Ellie thanked her, and as she was leaving the shop she put a dress from the rack into her bag. This action was witnessed by the local police officer, PC Stone, who was appalled by what looked like a shameless theft from a charity shop. PC Stone ran after Ellie, grabbed her arm and snatched the bag, and marched Ellie to the nearby police station, where she was put straight into a cell. Eleven hours later, Ellie was taken from the cell to have her fingerprints taken. Ellie took the opportunity to explain that the shop assistant had given her permission to take the dress, but the police said that she would have to remain in the cell until they could check her story. Ellie asked if she could phone her mother and speak to a solicitor, but was told that she would have to wait until the police had completed their enquiries. After spending a total of 41 hours in police custody, Ellie was told that the shop assistant had confirmed her story and she was released without charge.

Advise Ellie as to the legality of the actions of the police, applying your knowledge and understanding of legal rules and principles. [25]

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