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Law

Unit G151: English Legal System

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

Mark Scheme for June 2015

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Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
+	Very well developed point (WDP)
?	Unclear
APP	Applied point
DEV	Developed point (DP)
E	Well developed point (WDP)
NAQ	Not answered question
3	Not Relevant
Р	Point
REP	Repetition
5	Sort of
SEEN	Point has been noted, but no credit has been given / blank page has been checked for response
✓	Correct
Α	Applied (Not Used)
	Spare 1

Subject-specific marking instructions

Before you commence **marking each question** you must ensure that you are familiar with the following:

- the requirements of the specification
- these instructions
- the exam questions (found in the exam paper which will have been emailed to you along with this document)
- levels of assessment criteria *1 (found in the 'Levels of Assessment' grid at the back of this document)
- question specific indicative content given in the 'Answer' column*2
- question specific guidance given in 'Guidance' column*3
- the 'practice' scripts*4 provided in Scoris and accompanying commentaries
- *1 The levels of assessment criteria (found in the 'Levels of Assessment' grid) reflect the expectation of achievement for each Assessment Objective at every level.
- *2 The indicative content in the 'Answer' column provides details of points that candidates **may** be likely to make. It is **not** exhaustive or prescriptive and points not included in the indicative content, but which are valid within the context of the question, are to be credited. Similarly, it is possible for candidates to achieve top level marks without citing all the points suggested in the scheme.
- Included in the 'Guidance' column are the number of marks available for each assessment objective contained within the question. It also includes 'characteristics' which a response in a particular level is **likely** to demonstrate. For example, "a level 4 response is likely to include accurate reference to all 5 stages of x with supporting detail and an accurate link to the source". In some instances an answer may not display all of the 'characteristics' detailed for a level but may still achieve the level nonetheless.
- *4 The 'practice' scripts are live scripts which have been chosen by the Principal Examiner (and senior examining team). These scripts will represent most types of responses which you will encounter. The marks awarded to them and accompanying commentary (which you can see by changing the view to 'definitive marks') will demonstrate how the levels of assessment criteria and marking guidance should be applied.

As already stated, neither the indicative content, 'characteristics' or practice scripts are prescriptive and/or exhaustive. It is imperative that you remember at all times that a response which:

- differs from examples within the practice scripts; or,
- includes valid points not listed within the indicative content; or,
- does not demonstrate the 'characteristics' for a level

may still achieve the same level and mark as a response which does all or some of this. Where you consider this to be the case you should discuss the candidate's response with your supervisor to ensure consistent application of the mark scheme.

Awarding Assessment Objectives 1 and 2

To award the level for the AO1 or AO2 (some questions may contain both AO1 and AO2 marks) use the levels of assessment criteria **and** the guidance contained within the mark scheme to establish which level the response achieves. As per point 10 of the above marking instructions, when determining which **level** to award start at the **highest*** level and work down until you reach the level that matches the answer.

Once you have established the correct level to award to the response you need to determine the mark within the level. The marks available for each level differ between questions. Details of how many marks are available per level are provided in the Guidance column. Where there is more than one mark available within a level you will need to assess where the response 'sits' within that level. Guidance on how to award marks within a level is provided in point 10 of the above marking instructions, with the key point being that you start at the **middle*** of each level and work outwards until you reach the **mark** that the response achieves.

Answers, which contain no relevant material at all, should receive no marks.

* Remember: when awarding the <u>level</u> you work from <u>top downwards</u>, when awarding the <u>mark</u> you work from the <u>middle outwards</u>.

Awarding Assessment Objective 3

AO3 marks are awarded based on the marks achieved for either AO1, AO2 or in some cases, the total of AO1 and AO2. You must refer to each question's mark scheme for details of how to calculate the AO3 mark.

Rubric

What to do for the questions the candidate has not answered?

The rubric for G151 instructs candidates to answer **four** questions (both parts) from either:

- 2 x Section A + 2 x Section B
- 3 x Section A + 1 x Section B

For the questions the candidate has not answered you should record NR (no response) in the mark column on the right-hand side of the screen. Do **not** record a 0.

What to do for the candidate who has not complied with the rubric either by answering more than four questions or by answering more or less Section A or B questions than is permitted? This is a very rare occurrence but must be picked up to ensure the candidate is not unfairly advantaged or disadvantaged.

Mark all questions the candidate has answered. Then work out the combination of questions which gives them the highest mark whilst conforming to the rubric. Do **not** 'violate' the rubric and do **not** submit the script. Send your supervisor the script number and combination of questions you are proposing for the script to give it the highest mark which conforms to the rubric. Your supervisor will then view the script in your 'Open' items and will check and confirm the correct combination for this candidate.

Once your team leader has confirmed the correct combination you will need to amend the marks on the script to ensure the candidate receives the correct overall mark. To do this reopen the script and for the response(s) which are not included in the correct combination change the marks to NR (no response). Do **not** remove the annotations – the annotations will demonstrate that the response(s) has been marked but is not included in the correct combination.

Once you have submitted this script, contact your supervisor. Your supervisor will then double check in your closed items that you have correctly processed this script.

Blank pages and missed answers

Sometimes candidates will skip a few pages in their answer booklet and then continue their answer. To be sure you have not missed any candidate response before you submit each script you <u>must</u> review the whole script and check every page of the script and annotate any <u>blank</u> pages with:

SEEN

This will demonstrate that every page of a script has been checked.

You <u>must</u> also check any additional pages eg A, A1 etc, which the candidate has chosen to use. Before you begin marking, use the Linking Tool to 'link' any additional page(s) to the relevant question(s) and mark the response as normal.

Annotating and awarding marks

All part (a) questions only have AO1 marks available so credit cannot be given for any AO2 points. Any AO2 points should be marked as not relevant. The main discriminator between the levels will be the level of detail and the level of understanding demonstrated in the answer.

Section A part (b) of questions require discussion. Each point should be annotated as follows:

for point = 1 mark

for developed point = 2 marks

for a well-developed (extended) point = 3 marks

for a very well-developed (extended) point = 4 marks (be careful not to use this where a response is merely restated the same point)

It is important to ensure that the discussion is based on the question asked.

If there are only simple points, no matter how many points are made, a maximum of top Level 2 (5 marks) for AO2 can be awarded as if there is no development the answer does not meet the descriptor for Level 3.

If there are only developed points and no well-developed points only top Level 3 marks (7 marks) can be awarded for AO2 as such an answer would not meet the criteria for Level 4.

Section B part (b) of questions are marked differently as these questions require application. Identification of a relevant point should be annotated as follows:

for a point = 1 mark

for a point applied to the situation = 2 mark

If there is no application but relevant points have been identified only top Level 2 marks (5 marks) for AO2 can be awarded as the answer does not meet the descriptor for Level 3.

Question	Indicative content	Mark		Gui	dance
1 (a)	Potential answers may:		AO1 Levels	AO1 Marks	
			4	15–18	
	Assessment Objective 1 – Knowledge and	18	3	11–14	
	understanding		2	6–10	
			1	1–5	
	Describe the theory of the separation of powers:				
	Theory of the separation of powers first put forward by			I be unlikely to	achieve the following levels
	Montesquieu The three pages of state asset he heat in the sea deat of		without:		
	The three arms of state must be kept independent of each other				
			Responses wii	i be unlikely to	achieve the following without:
	 Examples of problems caused by non-implementation Examples of good/bad implementation – e.g. USA vs. 		laval 4 laatla		
	Zimbabwe				otion of the theory of the
	Still some overlap in this country with the executive				g a description of the arms of tion of how the reforms have
	and the legislature – examples				e theory. Statutory reference
	 Legislature makes law – Houses of Parliament and the 		required for ful		e theory. Statutory reference
	Queen		required for ful	II IIIaiks	
	Executive – put laws into effect and administer the		Level 3 – a vei	ry good descrip	otion of either the theory or the
	nation's affairs - government, ministers and their		reforms or an		•
	departments			·	
	 Judiciary – interpret and enforce the law- judges 		Level 2 – an a	dequate descri	ption of either the theory or the
			reforms or a ve	ery basic descr	iption of both
	Describe how the judiciary has been reformed:				
	 Constitutional Reform Act 2005, Crime and Courts Act 2013 		Level 1 – a vei	ry limited descr	iption
	Although there remains overlap with the executive and				
	the legislature, there is less overlap with judiciary than				
	previously. The Lord Chancellor used to overlap all				
	three arms of state but now has only a very limited				
	role in the selection of judges and does not sit as a				
	judge in the Supreme Court				
	Selection of Judges is now by the Judicial				
	Appointments Commission so is independent of				
	government influence although Lord Chancellor still				
	exerts 'some' influence				

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	 The Supreme Court has been created to deal with the overlap between the Law Lords and the legislature as they sat in the House of Lords in Parliament. Newly Appointed Supreme Court Judges will not be allowed to be members of the House of Lords Judicial independence now guaranteed by section.3 Constitutional Reform Act 2005 and specifically states that Ministers may not seek to influence judicial decisions. 		
	Credit any other relevant point(s).		

Indicative content	Mark		Gui	idance
Potential answers may:		AO2 Levels	AO2 Marks	
		4	8–9	
	9	3	6–7	
• •		2	4–5	
		1	1–3	
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	of incompatibility under the Human Rights Act and accepting quashed decisions in judicial review indicate separation of powers checks and balances and independence of the judiciary Credit any other relevant comment(s).		
	Assessment Objective 3 – Communication and presentation Present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a clear and effective manner using appropriate terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation.	3	AO2 marks AO3 mark 7-9 3 4-6 2 1-3 1

Question	Indicative content	Mark		Gui	idance
Question 2 (a)	Potential answers may: Assessment Objective 1 – Knowledge and understanding Describe qualifications: Qualifications set out in the Juries Act 1974 as amended: aged between 18 and 70 on the electoral register	Mark 18	AO1 Levels 4 3 2 1 Responses will without:	15–18 11–14 6–10 1–5	achieve the following levels
	 Resident in the UK for five years since age of 13 Disqualified: For life – if imprisoned for life, detention during Her Majesty's Pleasure, imprisoned for public protection, extended sentence or have a sentence of 5 years or more For ten years – if sentences of less than 5 years were passed, suspended sentences or community orders whilst on bail Ineligible: 		qualifications, required for full Level 3 – an addetailed description of examples of the candidate to a vertical description of examples of the candidate to a vertical description of the candidate of the ca	selection and of I marks dequate description of two. lifications proceard more than ing on the qual ited description either selection chieve Level 2.	

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	 Summons are sent out electronically Fifteen chosen at random from the jury pool to go into the court room Twelve chosen at random in court by the clerk Remainder still sit in court (separately) as a back-up in long or important trials Vetting – routine police check and rarely wider background check for political affiliations. 		
	 Describe challenges: Possible challenge to the array, by prosecution or defence on way jury selected Possible challenge for cause, by prosecution or defence, because of connection with case or incapacity Right of stand-by, by prosecution Credit any other relevant point(s). 		

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(b)*	Potential answers may:		AO2 Levels	AO2 Marks	
			4	8–9	
	Assessment Objective 2 – Analysis, evaluation and	9	3	6–7	
	application		2	4–5	
			1	1–3	
	 One disadvantage is that jury members lack legal qualifications. Selection is based on the three requirements set out in the Act no minimum educational standards required. This means that in criminal matters it is very rare for a legally qualified person to come to the decision they only pass sentence. In some civil matters the jury will decide liability and the award of damages. However, jury's only decide fact. The judge decides the law In some complex cases, for example fraud, a disadvantage is the lack of general understanding of the proceedings and case. A small number of jurors admit having difficulty understanding cases and although it is only a small number of people it is concerning when in criminal matters it may be a person's liberty at stake or in a civil matter a person's reputation. Juries have been removed from most fraud cases in criminal law due to the complex nature of the evidence. It does not seem justified to keep the option for civil fraud cases Some comment that a disadvantage of using a jury is the fact that there are too many people on a jury panel to allow for productive discussion. In criminal cases and High Court civil matters there will be twelve members of a jury and it may be seen that this is too many for productive discussion. It can take a while for all those voices to be heard and to ensure all have understood. However, twelve people will cancel out each other's prejudices and it is better to have twelve than one 		without: Level 4 – cand least one well-focus on the dicriminal cases full marks Level 3 – if the one developed developed poir awarded. If the or civil cases thawarded. Level 2 – if the	idates are able developed poir sadvantages of three well-decorations and a rapid to the maximum candidate has exandidate has exercised.	achieve the following levels to achieve Level 4 by giving at a demonstrating a real ability to of using a jury in both civil and eveloped points would receive only given developed points or ange of other points and no well-mum top Level 3 marks can be sonly discussed either criminal top Level 3 marks can be given a series of points with no the maximum top Level 2 can be assion points

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Question	 A disadvantage to the State and those with limited funds is the jury trial is both time consuming and costly. Because juries are lay people everything needs to be explained to them in order that they understand. There are also times when the jury has to leave the court in order that legal argument may take place. All this adds to the length of the trial. This in turn adds to the cost. It would be quicker and cheaper if it were one judge The compulsory nature of jury service is seen as a disadvantage. Jury service is to some an inconvenience in terms of time and money. Two weeks is a long time and although many employers will continue to pay jurors whilst they are away from work some do not. Some people find that they are not able to claim back from the court their full wages therefore losing money A growing disadvantage of using a jury in both criminal and civil matters is that it is extremely difficult to know if the jury has been influenced by different types of media. In the recent News of the World phone hacking case the judge felt the need to give strict instructions to the jury regarding the importance of only deciding on the facts given in the 	Mark	Guidance
	case and not taking account of anything read in the papers on the internet or information sent social media The fact the jury does not need to give a reason for		
	the decision reached is seen as a disadvantage. A Judge or panel of Lay Magistrates is required to give their reasons. The lack of reason may be considered a disadvantage because it makes it difficult for the defendant to appeal and there is no way of knowing how the decision was reached and whether the case was understood		

Question	Indicative content	Mark	Guidance
	 The fact that juries sometimes reach what are known as perverse decisions is seen as a disadvantage. Juries are able to ignore laws that they feel are unjust. Often the decisions do not appear justified even when the case is clear-cut In defamation cases which involve celebrities there may be some bias as jury members may have preconceived ideas about the person and newspapers do not have a good reputation therefore it may be better to leave the decision making to a judge who may be less bias Credit any other relevant comment(s). 		
	Assessment Objective 3 – Communication and presentation Present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a clear and effective manner using appropriate terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation.	3	AO2 marks AO3 mark 7-9 3 4-6 2 1-3 1

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3 (a)	Potential answers may:	18	AO1 Levels	AO1 Marks	
			4	15–18	
			3	11–14	
	understanding		2	6–10	
	Assessment Objective 1 – Knowledge and understanding Allocation of cases to different tracks dependent on the value of the claim and complexity of the case: • Allocation questionnaire • Small claims for cases up to £10,000 (£1,000 for personal injury cases) • County Court Fast track for cases from £10,000 to £25,000 • Multi - track cases usually in the County Court for £25,000 - £50,000 but can go to the High court especially in cases involving complex points • High Court Multi track usually for cases valued at over £50,000 but these can be heard in the County Court • Explain time limits for each track • Limit on number of witnesses County Court and the High Court are the main civil trial courts. Types of case that can be heard in each court. County Court: • contract, tort, recovery of land to any value • partnerships, trusts, and inheritance up to £30,000 • divorce and bankruptcy • Small Claims – actions involving up to £10,000. High Court: • Queen's Bench Division – contract and tort over £50,000 and some from £25,000 (multi - track) An example which could include Defamation of		2 1 Responses will without: Level 4 – The of the trial could detail Level 3 – a result allocated or detail required according to the Level 2 marks understanding Level 1 – a vertical triangles of the trial could be according to the level 2 marks understanding	6–10 1–5 I be unlikely to way in which conts and the type sponse detailing tail of the count of L3. If the detail. are likely to be but very little of the county little of the	

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	 Chancery Division – insolvency, mortgages, trusts, property disputes, copyright and patents, intellectual property and probate disputes Family Division – Children Act 1989 cases, and other family matters. 		
	Credit any other relevant point(s).		

Question	Indicative content	Mark		Gui	dance
(b)*	Potential answers may:		AO2 Levels	AO2 Marks	
			4	8–9	
	Assessment Objective 2 – Analysis, evaluation and	9	3	6–7	
	application		2	4–5	
			1	1–3	
	 The increase from £5,000 to £10,000 may be seen as an advantage as it means that the ordinary person can use the Small Claims Court to make a claim for a larger sum rather than having to use the Fast-track which requires the claimant to obtain legal advice, have legal representation and will be more formal and cost more An advantage of using the Small Claims Court is that people do not have to use a lawyer which makes it a cheaper option. Also, if you lose the other side will not have to pay the other person's legal costs. However with the recent increase from £5,000 to £10,000 a greater number of people are likely to use lawyers which may result in a disadvantage to individuals who cannot afford to risk instructing a lawyer and then lose the case Even with recent reforms the procedure remains the same and will continue to be simpler and less formal than the other tracks. However, with larger sums of money involved it may mean that the procedure takes longer and becomes more complex which may in turn mean that cases take longer and increase the time it take to have a matter heard. The winner will still be able to get the court fees back as well as the claim and any reasonable expenses With such large amounts of money being involved a key advantage will be that that the District Judge will help both parties but in particular those unrepresented to explain their case and do all that they can to try and 		without: Level 4 – cand least one well-focus on both developed poin not be able to reform in respending the Small Clable to achieve Level 3 – if the one developed poin awarded Level 2 – if the	idates are able developed poir advantages are to sect of the increasing Court. A except 4 candidate has point and a rant(s) then maxims candidate has except a list then to sect of the increasing candidate has except a list then to sect of the increasing candidate has except a list then to sect of the increasing candidate has except a list then to sect of the increasing the incre	achieve the following levels to achieve Level 4 by giving at a the demonstrating a real ability to ad disadvantages. Three well-ve full marks. A candidate will 4 without recognition of the ase in the upper limit for actions one-sided answer will not be a conly given developed points or ange of other points and no well-mum top Level 3 marks can be a given a series of points with no he maximum top Level 2 can be a serior points.

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	 has shown this is not always the case with unrepresented claimants Claims in respect of personal injury and housing repair remain unchanged at £1,000. This remains a very low amount in comparison to other cases however this may be due to the number of no win no fee options available in such cases and therefore the other tracks utilised Since the increase in amount there is greater emphasis on using the Small Claims Court only as a last resort and parties are referred to a mediation service before they proceed with a court case. If this mediation is successful it may save both parties time, costs and stress A disadvantage of the Small Claims Court is that only about 60% of successful claimants actually receive all their money awarded by the court. The increase may result in a large number of individuals and businesses having a debt twice as much not being paid and may result in a greater number of people having to go through the Enforcement of Small Claims Judgments in the County Court Credit any other relevant comment(s). 		
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Question 4 (a)	Potential answers may: Work May be employed in local government or by large corporations (BBC, Mirror Group Newspapers etc) or by the Crown Prosecution Service Work is likely to involve interviewing clients, advising on a range of legal topics, such as housing, consumer problems and family problems Giving Legal advice on a range of topics e.g. housing, consumer, family, crime Negotiating on behalf of clients Paperwork including writing letters for clients, drawing up wills, drafting contracts and conveyancing Most solicitors specialise in one area of law Advocacy in both criminal and civil matters in Magistrates' and County or, all courts if passed the assessments as set out in the SRA Higher Rights of Audience Regulations 2011 Complaints procedure Initially the complaint should be made directly to the solicitor or Firm explaining the reason for the complaint. All solicitors have a procedure for handling complaints and a designated complaints handler If the complaint is about poor service and/or regarding their bill and the client is not satisfied with the response from the solicitor/way the complaint was handled the next step is to contact the Legal Ombudsman Legal Services Act 2007 created the Office for Legal Complaints and set up the Legal Ombudsman Legal Ombudsman has the power to ask the solicitor apologise to the client	Mark 18	without: Level 4 – a de procedure. Level 3 – an a description of description of description of Level 2 / bottom answer. Level 1 – a verification of the control of the c	AO1 Marks 15–18 11–14 6–10 1–5 If be unlikely to tailed description of possible to a the quality of the complaints of Level 3 depending the complaints of Level 3 dependi	achieve the following levels on of work and complaints on of both or a very detailed on or both areas. If only work award more than <i>Top</i> Level 2 the answer. A detailed procedure only may achieve top anding on the quality of the

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	 give back any documents the client might need put things right if more work can correct what went wrong refund or reduce the legal fees or pay compensation of up to £30 000 Solicitors must comply with the Principles of the Solicitors Code of Conduct and if a client feels that the solicitor has breached these principles they may make a complaint to the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) The SRA has powers to investigate misconduct including the power to require solicitors to explain their conduct and to produce documents The Solicitors' Disciplinary Tribunal will look at evidence submitted to them by the SRA into serious professional misconduct. The Tribunal can fine, reprimand and if necessary suspend a solicitor from the Roll. In rare cases the Tribunal will strike off a solicitor from the Roll Credit the client taking any Legal action 		
	Credit any other relevant point(s).		

Question	Indicative content	Mark	Guidance		
(b)*	Potential answers may:		AO2 Levels	AO2 Marks	
	•		4	8–9	
	Assessment Objective 2 – Analysis, evaluation and	9	3	6–7	
	application		2	4–5	
			1		
	 There is no difference in the education/academic training of a solicitor so it is not true to say that this aspect is easier In terms of vocational training the LPC for trainee solicitors is more straightforward and practical than the vocation stage of a trainee barrister. The trainee barrister is required to join one of the Inns of Court, complete terms and undertake the BPTC. The LPC covers a wider range of topic including practical areas such as business management and advocacy The LPC is marginally cheaper to undertake than the BPTC and is offered in a greater number of places around the country. Many universities are now including the LPC as part of a four year course. This makes it more accessible and easier for those around the country to undertake. However, there are more bursaries available (from the Inns) to assist trainee barristers than there are available to trainee solicitors Trainee solicitors are not overburdened with the additional costs a trainee barrister is required to cover. The trainee barrister not only has the cost of training but also the cost of wig and gown and dining and these costs may be prohibitive to some There are more Training Contracts than Pupillage places available due to the wide range of places that are able to offer the Contracts. This means that there are more opportunities for trainee solicitors and also there is a greater range of areas training can be undertaken in, for example, in a Firm the trainee must 		Responses will without: Level 4 – cand least one wellfocus on issue solicitor. Three marks Level 3 – if the one developed developed poir awarded Level 2 – if the	idates are able developed poir of whether it is e well-developed candidate has point and a rant(s) then maximum candidate has e.g. a list then the	achieve the following levels to achieve Level 4 by giving at a the demonstrating a real ability to a easier to train and or work as a red points would receive full sonly given developed points or ange of other points and no well-mum top Level 3 marks can be a given a series of points with no the maximum top Level 2 can be ssion points

Question	Indicative content	Mark	Guidance
	 The minimum pay per annum for a Training Contract was £16,650 per annum as opposed to the £12,000 per annum for pupillage this made it easier for the trainee solicitor to cover the cost of living. However, recent changes mean that the minimum wage can now be paid for the Training Contract although it is unlikely that commercial and City firms will do so There is a greater range of jobs available to a solicitor meaning that it is easier to find employment post qualifying. It is also easier to obtain employment where a salary is provided. A solicitor is now able to undertake the same work as a barrister including obtaining the same rights of audience Credit any other relevant comment(s). 		
	Assessment Objective 3 – Communication and presentation Present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a clear and effective manner using appropriate terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation	3	AO2 marks AO3 mark 7-9 3 4-6 2 1-3 1

Indicative content	Mark	Guidance		
Potential answers may:	18	AO1 Levels	AO1 Marks	
		4	15–18	
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understanding		2		
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Question	Indicative content	Mark		Gui	dance
(b)*	Potential answers may:		AO2 Levels	AO2 Marks	
	Assessment Objective 2 – Analysis, evaluation and	9	4	8–9	
	application	9	3 2	6–7	
	There will always be a balance that needs to be		1	4–5 1–3	
	 There will always be a balance that needs to be found between giving people access to advice and representation in court and the limits on the amount of money that can be allocated to legal funding especially in times where there are very tight constraints on public spending There is no means test for the duty solicitor scheme at the police station which offers some assistance however the fact that it is limited to a phone call in most cases does save money although vulnerable people do get more help usually having a solicitor attend The merits test has always been present to an extent but does seem to favour the habitual criminal over the first time offender as the likely punishment is considered for funding representation For representation in the Magistrate's Court it is very difficult to get funding unless on benefits or under 18 which means that anyone outside that category has to defend themselves this can be very daunting for a first time offender The means test often allows repeat offenders to benefit as they are less likely to be employed at a cost to the taxpayer The merits test – in the interests of justice is now applied very strictly which leads to repeat offenders having representation but first time offenders not getting representation as they are less likely to be imprisoned. This cannot be seen as fair 		without: Level 4 – cand least one well-focus on the quand merits test ensure justice relating to the receive full matter that the one developed developed point awarded Level 2 – if the one developed point awarded	lidates are able developed poir uote (the argunts limit the cost in criminal case quote. Three virks candidate has a point and a rant(s) then maxis ecandidate has e.g. a list then the	achieve the following levels to achieve Level 4 by giving at a demonstrating a real ability to ments that the use of the means to the taxpayer but does not es) and a range of other points well-developed points would only given developed points or ange of other points and no well-mum top Level 3 marks can be given a series of points with no he maximum top Level 2 can be ssion points
	Credit any other relevant comment(s).				

Question	Indicative content	Mark		Gui	dance
	Assessment Objective 3 – Communication and	3	AO2 marks	AO3 mark	
	presentation		7–9	3	
			4–6	2	
	Present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a clear and effective manner using appropriate terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation.		1–3	1	

Question	Indicative content	Mark		Gui	idance
6 (a)	Potential answers may:		AO1 Levels	AO1 Marks	
	Assessment Objective 1 – Knowledge and understanding Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, Code C Describe the role of the custody officer • Responsible for keeping a record of the custody of every suspect brought to the police station. This needs to detail times of arrival, visits, any interviews, searches, samples and anything else that happens while the suspect is in custody • Responsible for ensuring the suspect knows their basics rights: - to have access to a solicitor - to have someone notified of their whereabouts - right to read the codes of practice • Responsible for organising medical treatment or an interpreter if necessary • Responsible for reviewing the need to further detain the suspect at regular intervals and that the suspect is released as soon as detention is no longer justified • Responsible for ensuring that time limits of detention are adhered to and the suspect is treated reasonably at all times • Decision to grant bail or not is made by the Custody Officer Describe the powers of the police to search	Mark 18	A 3 2 1 Responses will without: Level 4 – a de officer and sea marks Level 3 – an a description of the other. If or described a mawarded if very Level 2 – a brione. Level 1 – a very level 1 – a very level 2 – a brione.	AO1 Marks 15–18 11–14 6–10 1–5 If be unlikely to tailed description accompanily the custody aximum of bott by detailed description of the custody aximum of the custody aximu	achieve the following levels on of the role of the custody ory authority required for full 18 ption of both or a good ied by a limited description of officer role or only searches om Level 3 marks can be
	 Describe the powers of the police to search No automatic right to search. Can only be done if there is reasonable suspicion that something will be 		Warks Should I	oc anocated ac	oording to the level of detail.
	 found Cursory search may be undertaken to remove/seize any dangerous or prohibited articles. During this search a record of D's possessions will be made Non-intimate search – strip search – in private with 				

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	 same sex officer and only half clothing removed at any one time All non-intimate searches may be undertaken using reasonable force Intimate search only if authorised by a high ranking officer in order to search for something that could and might be used to cause physical injury e.g. weapons or Class A drugs Intimate search for something that could and might be used to cause physical injury may be carried out by a constable of the same sex if an Inspector or above considers that it is not practical for the search to be carried out by a suitably qualified person (a medical practitioner or a registered nurse) Police have the power to authorise an intimate body search, ultrasound or X-ray to be taken if they have reasonable grounds to suspect that the person has concealed Class A drugs. Written consent is required Must be carried out by a 'suitably qualified person' (a medical practitioner or a registered nurse) not by a police officer The search for Class A drugs must be carried out at a hospital, a doctor's surgery or other medical premises, not at a police station. 		
	Credit any other relevant point(s).		

Question	Indicative content	Mark	Guidance		
(b)*	Potential answers may:		AO2 Levels	AO2 Marks	
			4	8–9	
	Assessment Objective 2 – Analysis, evaluation and	9	3	6–7	
	application		2	4–5	
	P1 The police officers were in plain clothes so they should have identified themselves to make the arrest lawful P2 They had reasonable grounds (based on intelligence from girlfriend) that he was about to commit a crime which is lawful P3 Wrestling Justin to the ground and handcuffing him when he is resisting arrest may be seen as reasonable force and lawful in the circumstances P4 He should have been cautioned and told why he was being arrested unlawful to say nothing to him P5 The interview room should not have been cold – it should be adequately heated so this is unlawful P6 He should have been given access to a solicitor unless there were exceptional circumstances and it was thought he would warn accomplices (36hrs max). This does not seem to be the case so this is unlawful Credit any other relevant comment(s).		Responses will without: It is important to question. Point Identification of point. An applied to the service of the service	1–3 I be unlikely to to keep in mind to keep in mind to keep in mind to keep to be a farelevant poied point (AP) so to a will not have a will not have to an application or "D" needs to be an application of "D" needs to be an application of the ground —	elevant points (i.e. just Ps) have 2 marks can be awarded as the ze been met o be mentioned to get out of on question be considered and an applied able for each – still max 9 marks ntity

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	Assessment Objective 3 – Communication and	3	AO2 marks	AO3 mark	
	presentation		7–9	3	
			4–6	2	
	Present logical and coherent arguments and		1–3	1	
	communicates relevant material in a clear and effective manner using appropriate terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation.				•

Question Indicative content Mark		Guidance			
7 (a)	Potential answers may: Assessment Objective 1 – Knowledge and understanding Demonstrate understanding of the Bail Act 1976 and	18	4 3 2 1	15–18 11–14 6–10 1–5	dance
	subsequent amendments in the Bail (Amendment) Act 1993, the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and the Criminal Justice Act 2003: 2. Definition – enables a defendant to remain at liberty S.4 Bail Act states that there is a presumption in favour of unconditional bail – general right to bail Show an understanding that both the magistrates and Crown Court can grant bail Identify the reasons for refusing bail: failure to surrender to custody likely to commit further offences interfere with witnesses/the course of justice Identify the factors to be taken into account including: nature and seriousness of offence antecedents of defendant previous bail record strength of evidence against defendant Restrictions on the grant of bail: for an offence committed while already on bail, bail can only be given if the court is satisfied there is no significant risk of further offending bail will only granted in exceptional circumstances for murder, attempted murder, manslaughter, rape or attempted rape if the defendant has already served a custodial sentence for such a crime bail will be restricted for adult Class A drug users under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 in certain circumstances		without: Level 4 – to regeneral right to taken into accounce unconditional arequired for full Level 3 – an aithe above cent Level 2 – a lim Level 1 – a ver Marks should by the store of the should by the should be should	ach level 4 and both bail, reasons ount, restriction and conditional I 18 marks Inswer will only tral points are relited description by limited description of allocated acceptance of the second sec	n of some of the central points

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	restrictions relating to terrorism (home detention under the Prevention of Terrorism Act 2005)		
	only the Crown Court can grant bail in murder cases		
	Demonstrate a clear understanding of unconditional and		
	conditional bail, and the types of conditions that may be		
	imposed on a defendant eg		
	Sureties/recognisance		
	Residence – bail hostel, named address		
	Curfew		
	Hand in passport		
	Reporting at police station		
	Exclusion zones		
	Contact bans		
	Tagging		
	Security		
	Credit any other relevant point(s).		

Question	Indicative content	Mark	Guidance			
(b)*	Potential answers may:		AO2 Levels	AO2 Marks		
		_	4	8–9		
	Assessment Objective 2 – Analysis, evaluation and	9	3	6–7		
	application		2	4–5		
			1	1–3		
	The factors taken into account under the Bail Act would all					
	need to be considered with particular reference to:				that this is an application	
	P1 There is a presumption in favour of bail but the nature		question. Poil	nts need to be a	applied to the situation	
	and seriousness of the offence and the probable method of dealing with it will need to be considered.					
	As it is a serious fraud a custody sentence is possible				int should be awarded a P for a	
	and it may be decided not to grant bail as Paul may fail			situation given	should be awarded if a point is	
	to surrender to bail		P = 1 mark			
	P2 Paul has a previous conviction for drunk and disorderly		AP = 2 marl	(S		
	conduct. This offence is most likely to be considered					
	unrelated due to the nature of the previous offence and		If there is no application but relevant points (i.e.			
	therefore bail likely to be granted		been identified only top level 2 marks can be awarded as the			
	P3 Paul has previously complied with bail conditions which		criteria for level 3 will not have been met "Paul" or "he" or "D" needs to be mentioned to get out of level 2 as this is an application question Five of the following points need to be considered and an applied point (worth 2 marks) is available for each – still max 9 marks in total		/e been met	
	may lead them to think he will comply again and				he mentioned to get out of level	
	therefore bail likely to be granted					
	P4 The fact that Paul has a job in the area would mean					
	that he is less likely to abscond before the trial					
	therefore likely to get bail				is available for each – still max	
	P5 Paul is has family out of town and therefore may					
	decide to flee particularly as this is such a serious offence therefore bail may be refused		A relevent co	adition with room	an needs to be stated in order	
	P6 Taking all the above into account Paul is most likely to		A relevant condition with reason needs to be stated in to achieve Level 4		son needs to be stated in order	
	be given bail with the condition of reporting to the local		lo domovo Eo	VOI -1		
	Police Station		P1 Nature	and seriousnes	s of the offence	
				s conviction		
				ance with bail in	past	
	Credit any other relevant comment(s).	ant comment(s).		P4 Ties to area – job		
			,	n another town		
			Londition Condition	on with reason		

Question	Indicative content	Mark	Guidance		
	Assessment Objective 3 – Communication and	3	AO2 marks	AO3 mark	
	presentation		7–9	3	
	Present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a clear and effective		4–6	2	
			1–3	1	
	manner using appropriate terminology. Reward grammar,				
	spelling and punctuation.				

APPENDIX 1 Advanced Subsidiary GCE Law Levels of Assessment

There are **four** levels of assessment of AOs 1 and 2 in the AS units. Level 4 is the highest level that can reasonably be expected from a candidate at the end of the first year of study of an Advanced GCE course. Similarly, there are **three** levels of assessment of AO3 in the AS units.

Level	Assessment Objective 1	Assessment Objective 2	Assessment Objective 3 (includes QWC)
4	Good, well-developed knowledge with a clear understanding of the relevant concepts and principles. Where appropriate candidates will be able to elaborate by good citation of relevant statutes and case-law.	Ability to identify and analyse issues central to the question showing some understanding of current debate and proposals for reform or identify most of the relevant points of law in issue. Ability to develop clear arguments or apply points of law clearly to a given factual situation, and reach a sensible and informed conclusion.	
3	Adequate knowledge showing reasonable understanding of the relevant concepts and principles. Where appropriate candidates will be able to elaborate with some citation of relevant statutes and case-law.	Ability to analyse most of the more obvious points central to the question or identify the main points of law in issue. Ability to develop arguments or apply points of law mechanically to a given factual situation, and reach a conclusion.	A good ability to present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a clear and effective manner using appropriate legal terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation.
2	Limited knowledge showing general understanding of the relevant concepts and principles. There will be some elaboration of the principles, and where appropriate with limited reference to relevant statutes and case-law.	Ability to explain some of the more obvious points central to the question or identify some of the points of law in issue. A limited ability to produce arguments based on their material or limited ability to apply points of law to a given factual situation, but without a clear focus or conclusion.	An adequate ability to present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a reasonably clear and effective manner using appropriate legal terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation.
1	Very limited knowledge of the basic concepts and principles. There will be limited points of detail, but accurate citation of relevant statutes and case-law will not be expected.	Ability to explain at least one of the simpler points central to the question or identify at least one of the points of law in issue. The approach may be uncritical and/or unselective.	A limited attempt to present logical and coherent arguments and communicates relevant material in a limited manner using some appropriate legal terminology. Reward grammar, spelling and punctuation.

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