



GCE AS/A level

1251/01

LAW – LA1

**UNIT 1: UNDERSTANDING LEGAL VALUES,
STRUCTURES AND PROCESSES**

A.M. THURSDAY, 13 January 2011

1½ hours

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question carries 25 marks.

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

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers.

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Answer two questions.

1. (a) Explain the importance of the Rule of Law in England and Wales. [14]
(b) Discuss the impact of the Human Rights Act 1998 on the legal system of England and Wales. [11]
2. (a) Explain the sources of funding available to access justice in England and Wales. [14]
(b) Discuss the extent to which there are unmet legal needs in England and Wales. [11]
3. (a) Explain the role of the Institutions of the European Union. [14]
(b) Evaluate the role of the European Court of Justice in the development of European Law. [11]
4. (a) Explain the powers available to grant bail. [14]
(b) Discuss the role of the Crown Prosecution Service within the English and Welsh legal system. [11]
5. (a) Explain the Civil Appeal Process. [14]
(b) Discuss the nature of Equitable Remedies available to the courts in England and Wales. [11]
6. (a) Explain the different types of jury trial available in England and Wales. [14]
(b) To what extent is trial by jury reliable? [11]