

**Understanding Legal Language and Legislation**

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**Examiner's Comments**

The standard of this exam was very high with all students demonstrating a sound command of the principles of statutory interpretation.

The weakest question overall was question 3 – the essay question in relation to extrinsic material. Disappointingly a number of students essentially reproduced the legislation with a quiet nod to the cases, rather than exploring the ideas behind the legislation and case law.

Questions one and two were very well done – with a strong structure and a deep understanding of the principles of statutory interpretation being demonstrated.