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A-level LAW

Paper 1

Thursday 23 May 2024

Afternoon

Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials

- You will need no other materials.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions. You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- Questions should be answered in continuous prose. Give reasoned answers. Where appropriate, make reference to cases, statutes and examples.

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Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.



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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

Only **one** answer per question is allowed.

For each question completely fill in the circle alongside the appropriate answer.

CORRECT METHOD



WRONG METHODS



If you want to change your answer you must cross out your original answer as shown.



If you wish to return to an answer previously crossed out, ring the answer you now wish to select as shown.



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Which **one** of the following statements about the offence of murder is **true**?

[1 mark]

- A** The defendant must have acted involuntarily.
- B** The defendant must have committed an unlawful act.
- C** The defendant must have foreseen a risk of death.
- D** The defendant must have intended death or serious injury.

0 2

Which **one** of the following statements about the defence of duress is **false**?

[1 mark]

- A** The defence of duress, if successfully pleaded, leads to an acquittal.
- B** The defence of duress is available if the defendant acted due to a serious threat to their reputation.
- C** The defence of duress is not available for the crime of attempted murder.
- D** The defence of duress may fail if the defendant had voluntarily joined a violent gang.



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Which **one** of the following statements about a trial in the criminal courts is **true**?

[1 mark]

- A** Any defence raised by the defendant must be proved beyond all reasonable doubt.
- B** The defendant will be asked to plead guilty or not guilty.
- C** The prosecution must prove the case against the defendant on the balance of probabilities.
- D** The trial will begin in the County Court.

0 4

In relation to the Bar Standards Board (BSB), which **one** of the following statements is **false**?

[1 mark]

- A** The BSB can disbar a barrister who has breached the code of conduct.
- B** The BSB is the body which regulates barristers.
- C** The BSB sets out a code of conduct for barristers.
- D** The BSB sets training and entry standards for barristers.

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Which **one** of the following **best** describes the operation of the golden rule of statutory interpretation?

[1 mark]

- A** The court asks what gap in the law led to the statute being enacted.
- B** The courts can only give words in a statute their plain, ordinary meaning.
- C** The courts consider the purpose for which the statute was passed.
- D** The courts may choose to modify the meaning of a word in a statute to avoid an absurd outcome.

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