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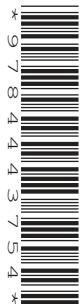
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Paper 1 English Legal System

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **seven** questions in total:
Section A: answer **all** questions.
Section B: answer **two** questions.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Section A

Answer **all** questions.

- 1 Identify **one** court which hears civil appeals. [1]
- 2 Identify **two** common law rules used by judges to interpret statutes. [2]
- 3 Describe **three** rights detainees must be informed of when they arrive at the police station. [6]
- 4 Describe customary law. [6]
- 5 Discuss the disadvantages of the legislative process in Parliament. [10]

Section B

Answer **two** questions.

- 6 (a) Explain the role of a solicitor. [10]
(b) Discuss whether it is necessary to have both solicitors and barristers. [15]
- 7 (a) Explain how the police make the decision to release suspects on bail or remand them in custody. [10]
(b) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of allowing a suspect to be released on bail. [15]
- 8 (a) Explain the jurisdiction of the Magistrates' Court in the criminal justice system. [10]
(b) Assess the effectiveness of using lay magistrates in the criminal justice system. [15]

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