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Paper 1 Structure and Operation of the English Legal System

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer **three** questions.

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



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Answer **three** questions.

- 1 Jurors are unrepresentative in the way they are selected and unpredictable in the decisions they reach.

To what extent are these criticisms justified? [25]

- 2 “In legal matters some degree of certainty is at least as valuable a part of justice as perfection.”
Lord Hailsham, *Cassell & Co Ltd v Broome* (1972)

Critically assess how the system of precedent can achieve both certainty and justice. Use case law to support your answer. [25]

- 3 Denise, aged 16, has been arrested by the police in connection with a robbery.

Describe the police powers concerning detention, body searches and interview at the police station in such a case. Critically consider whether the law strikes a fair balance between the need to deal with crime and the liberty of the suspect. [25]

- 4 Critically examine the effect of the Human Rights Act 1998 on the role of the judge in deciding cases. [25]

- 5 The current selection process for the judiciary ensures that the right people are selected for the job.

Explain how judges are selected and consider critically whether this statement is accurate. [25]

- 6 Explain the various forms of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR). Discuss whether ADR provides a better outcome than the civil courts. [25]

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