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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Question number	State the meaning of freedom of assembly under the Human Rights Act 1998. Answer	Marks
1(a)	(1 AO1), (1 AO2)	(2)
	One mark for stating the meaning of freedom of assembly (1 AO1), and one mark for a brief explanation/enhancement (1 AO2).	
	 Under Article 11 off the Human Rights Act 1998 (1 AO1), everyone has the right to meet in a group/associate with others (1 AO2), e.g. 2010 planned protest by the English Defence League. 	
	• Freedom of assembly/association includes the right to form/join a trade union (1 AO1) but the right can be restricted to protect national security/public safety (1 AO2), e.g. Redfearn v UK 2012.	
	Accept any other appropriate examples.	

Question number	Explain briefly the individual's rights to freedom of expression, under the Human Rights Act 1998. Answer	Marks
1(b)	(2 AO1), (2 AO2)	(4)
	One mark for each description of freedom of expression, up to two marks (2 AO1), and one mark for each appropriate expansion/example, up to two marks (2 AO2).	
	Article 11 of the Human Rights Act 1998 (1 AO1), allows a person to express their views through published articles/leaflets (1 AO2)	
	 It includes the rights to express your views aloud (1 AO1), for example through public protest/demonstrations (1 AO2) 	
	 Reference to cases such as Observer Guardian v UK, Abdul v DPP, Lee v Ashers Baking Co. Ltd, Mosley v News Group Newspapers Ltd. 	
	NB: Credit references to the restriction of freedom of expression.	

Question number	Evaluate Jonas's rights to the information held by the police and his rights to protect his privacy.	Marks
	Indicative content	
1(c)	and his rights to protect his privacy.	(14)
	 Fvaluation of the right of the Police to place Jonas's details on the suspected terrorist list vs his right to privacy under Article of the Human Rights Act and if so for how long Conclude that as Jonas appears to be no threat to national security and that there is a right to protest under Article 10 and 11 of the Human Rights Act that the police are likely to be in breach of Jonas's rights by keeping his data illegally 	
	 Reference and application to suitable sanctions or remedies under any of the Acts 	

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Level 2	4–6	Elements of knowledge and understanding are demonstrated.
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Level 3	7–10	Accurate knowledge and understanding are demonstrated.
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Level 4	11-14	Accurate and thorough knowledge and understanding are demonstrated.
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		Well-developed and logical chains of reasoning, showing a thorough understanding of the strengths and weaknesses in different legal authorities.
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competing arguments, leading to balanced comparisons, possib	le
outcomes and effective conclusions based on justified	
interpretations of the law.	

Question number	Analyse Adamu's claim against the radio station under the Defamation Act 2013.	Marks
	Indicative content	
2(a)	(2 AO1), (2 AO2), (2 AO3)	(6)
	Responses are likely to include:	
	Definition of defamation e.g. where a person can sue another person or company for words that are published or said which can be shown to have damaged their good reputation	
	Identification that slander is for making a false/damaging statement in public.	
	Identification that statement must be false.	
	• Identification that the Defamation Act 2013 requires proof that the publication has caused or is likely to cause serious harm to the reputation of the claimant under S1.	
	 Analysis of Adamu's claim focusing on the meaning of serious harm (S1), i.e. something that is likely to be very damaging to Trand Corp's reputation, Cooke v MGN Ltd or Youssoupoff v MGM Pictures 	
	Analysis of truth (S2) and honest opinion (S3)- the newspaper's ability to satisfy either of these sections e.g. Wasserman v Freilich	
	Analysis of newspapers potential defamation publicly under the Defamation Act 2013 and the newspaper's claim that they were acting in the public interest, e.g. S4 and Reynolds v Times Newspapers 1999.	
	Reference and application to possible damages.	

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Question number	Evaluate Mia's rights and remedies, under the Occupiers' Liability Acts, in respect of the injuries sustained.	Marks
	Indicative content	
2(b)	(2 AO1), (2 AO2), (4 AO3), (6 AO4)	(14)
	Responses are likely to include:	
	• Identification of relevant issues under the Occupiers' Liability Act 1957 such as the duty S2(1), duty of care S2(2), warnings S2(4)(a) discharging the duty, independent contractor S24(b).	
	 Analysis of Rasma's duty under the Occupiers' Liability Act 1957, i.e. Rasma owes a duty of care to Mia as a lawful visitor. The duty is for Rasma to take such care in all the circumstances to see that Mia will be reasonably safe in the restaurant. 	
	• Evaluation of reasons why express and implied conditions under the 1957 Act apply for Mia in this situation, e.g. Rasma may argue that he escapes liability for Mia's injuries under s.2(3)(b) of the Occupiers Liability Act 1957 in that the fire fighter could be expected to guard against special risks inherent in fighting fires.	
	Evaluation that Mia may argue that as Rasma had caused the dangerous situation to arise with special/exceptional risks he owed a duty of care to Mia regardless of her role as a firefighter	
	Reference to cases such as Paris v Stepney Borough Council, Woollins v British Celanese, Haseldine v Daw, Woodward v Mayor of Hastings, Salmon v Seafarer Restaurants etc.	
	NB: Allow any reasonable evaluation. Credit alternative evaluation of the situation under negligence.	

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Question number	Describe two situations when an omission may form the actus reus of a criminal offence. Answer	Marks
3(a)	(2 AO1), (2 AO2)	(4)
	Up to two marks for describing ways an omission may form the actus reus of a crime (2 AO1), and one mark for each appropriate expansion/example, up to two marks (2 AO2).	
	 Where the conduct of a crime is committed by a failure to act (1 AO1), such as where the D is under a contractual duty to act over another's health and safety (1 AO2), e.g. R v Pittwood. 	
	 Where a person has a duty to protect the health and safety of children due to a parental or family relationship (1 AO1), such as where a mother and father of a young child was starved to death by a failure to feed the sibling (1 AO2), e.g. R v Gibbons & Proctor. 	
	Other suitable descriptions.	

Analyse the sentences that may be appropriate for Bob, in this situation.	Marks
Indicative content	
(2 AO1), (2 AO2), (2 AO3)	(6)
Responses are likely to include:	
 Identification of the range of sentences under S177 Criminal Justice Act 2003 and The Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000 such as custodial, suspended sentence, community sentence, fines, discharges. 	
Identification that the offence Bob has committed is a burglary with the ulterior offence of theft and grievous bodily harm	
Applying sentences to Bob :	
 Custodial sentence with maximum of 14 years in prison for burglary/ life for robbery as Bob made an unprovoked attack on a vulnerable person 	
More likely to be a custodial sentence due to Bob's previous history of committing similar offences	
 Community sentences under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 including an unpaid work requirement between 40 and 300 hours if Bob is judged to benefit from rehabilitation 	
 A suspended sentence for up to 2 years to act as a deterrent to Bob committing any further offences. 	
NB : accept any aims and range of sentences that are appropriately analysed and evaluated in the context of the situation. Allow credit for students who discuss appropriate sentences for non-fatal offences relevant to the question.	
	Indicative content (2 AO1), (2 AO2), (2 AO3) Responses are likely to include: Identification of the range of sentences under S177 Criminal Justice Act 2003 and The Powers of Criminal Courts (Sentencing) Act 2000 such as custodial, suspended sentence, community sentence, fines, discharges. Identification that the offence Bob has committed is a burglary with the ulterior offence of theft and grievous bodily harm Applying sentences to Bob: Custodial sentence with maximum of 14 years in prison for burglary/ life for robbery as Bob made an unprovoked attack on a vulnerable person More likely to be a custodial sentence due to Bob's previous history of committing similar offences Community sentences under the Criminal Justice Act 2003 including an unpaid work requirement between 40 and 300 hours if Bob is judged to benefit from rehabilitation A suspended sentence for up to 2 years to act as a deterrent to Bob committing any further offences. NB: accept any aims and range of sentences that are appropriately analysed and evaluated in the context of the situation. Allow credit for students who discuss appropriate sentences for non-fatal offences

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Question number	Assess Dev's possible criminal liability for making off without having paid for the petrol. Indicative content	
3(c)	(2 AO1), (2 AO2), (3 AO3), (3 AO4)	(10)
	 Identification of the components of Making Off Without Payment (Theft Act 1978 S3): goods supplied or services done, makes off from the spot, fails to pay on the spot as required or expected, dishonesty, knows that payment on the spot is required or expected, intention to avoid payment permanently. 	
	Analysis of Dev's criminal liability:	
	Services done –Filling Dev's car with petrol	
	 Makes off from the spot - departure from the petrol station must be dishonest, i.e. Dev knows he cannot pay and leaves the petrol station when the petrol attendant is not looking. 	
	 Fails to pay as required or expected – Dev would have seen the cost of the petrol on the pumps display and knows he must pay as he remembers he has forgotten his money and leaves the petrol station 	
	Dishonesty – reasonable and honest person would not have left the petrol station without payment, perhaps making arrangements to pay later and as Dev waited until no one was watching and drove off he knew he was acting unreasonably and dishonestly.	
	 Knows that payment on the spot is required – Dev forgot his money after filling his car with petrol and left when the petrol attendant was not looking indicating knowledge of payment required. 	
	 Intention to avoid payment permanently – Dev drove off without paying indicating he intends never to pay. 	
	Reference to cases such as R v Allen, R v Brooks & Brooks, R v McDavitt, R v Vincent, Ivey v Genting Casinos.	
	NB : Credit alternative applications of Fraud by False Representation or Obtaining Service Dishonestly	

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Question number	Identify, from the scenario, which faults to the car are likely to be treated as a condition of the contract and those that are likely to be treated as a warranty. Answer	Marks
4(a)	(4 AO2)	(4)
	One mark for each point identifying the potential contractual condition or warranty in the scenario, up to four marks.	
	The new dent in the door of the car is a warranty as it is a minor term due to it not affecting the performance of the car (1)	
	The broken lights are a condition of the contract as the car will not perform safely without them (1)	
	The broken windscreen wipers are a warranty as it is a minor term due to it not affecting the performance of the car (1)	
	 The badly repaired engine is a condition of the contract as its failure means the car is unable to perform its key function as a mode of transport for Dave (1). 	
	Accept any other relevant application	

Question number	Analyse whether Ahmed owed a duty of care to Rana.	Marks
	Indicative content	
4(b)	(2 AO1), (2 AO2), (2 AO3)	(6)
	Responses are likely to include:	
	• Identification of the elements required to establish a duty of care – reasonably foreseeable that the defendant's conduct will cause injury, the relationship is sufficiently proximate and it is fair just and reasonable to impose a duty.	
	Identification of the incremental approach – Caparo v Dickman	
	Assessment of Rana's ability to establish Ahmed's conduct was reasonably foreseeable in causing the injury.	
	 Analysis in establishing whether the relationship between Rana and Ahmed was sufficiently close. Bourhill v Young vs Law Society v KPMG Peat Marwick and Others (1999) CA. 	
	Analysis as to whether it is just, fair and reasonable to impose a duty between Rana and Ahmed. Hill v Chief Constable of West Yorkshire vs Mitchell v Glasgow City Council	
	Analysis that as Ahmed is a mechanic it is likely that the three elements required to establish a duty of care with Rana in this situation are established	
	Any other reasonable analysis of the situation.	

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Question number	Assess whether Ahmed has breached his duty of care to Rana and what damages Rana may be appropriate.	Marks
	Indicative content	
4(c)	(2 AO1), (2 AO2), (3 AO3), (3 AO4)	(10)
	Responses are likely to include:	
	 Discussion of the reasonable man test e.g. Blyth v Birmingham Waterworks 	
	 Discussion of the risk factors affecting the reasonable man e.g. Paris v Stepney, Bolton v Stone, Nettleship v Weston, Marshall v Osmond 	
	 Analysis of possible risk factors affecting the standard of care expected of a reasonable man who is a trained mechanic repairing the brakes of a car 	
	 Evaluation that includes how risk factors may lower or higher the standard expected of a reasonable man, i.e. Ahmed is a professional, no known higher or lower risks for Ran, the magnitude of the risk, the potential for serious harm, public utility 	
	Discussion of remedies available to Rana because of a breach of Ahmed's duty of care, i.e. general and special damages	
	 Analysis of heads of damages, e.g. damage to property and expenses incurred, loss of future earnings, pain and suffering 	
	 Evaluation of damages applied to Rana, e.g. special damages, expenses and quantifiable loss incurred up to claim, mitigation, loss of future earnings and loss of amenity. 	
	Credit any relevant application of the law of negligence.	

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Question	Evaluate Dave's legal rights and remedies in these situations.	Marks	
number	Indicative content		
5	(2 AO1), (2 AO2), (8 AO3), (8 AO4)	(20)	
	Responses are likely to include:		
	For Dave against Ginika		
	Identification of contractual issues:		
	• Offer		
	Acceptance		
	Intention to create legal relations		
	Consideration		
	Breach, actual and anticipatory		
	Remedies such as damages		
	For contract, consideration of:		
	• Invitation to treat/offer – Dave's statement "bring £200 in cash"		
	 Invitation to treat/acceptance – Ginika's text with stating "consider it sold" for "£200 cash" 		
	Evaluate whether Dave's initial statement is a unilateral offer or an invitation to treat		
	Electronic acceptance by Ginika due to the wording of the text		
	• Evaluate whether or not Ginika's text fulfils Dave's offer, e.g. £200 cash needs to be delivered to Dave's house in order for there to be valid acceptance		
	 Intention to create legal relations – evaluate whether the presumption of no intention to create legal relations between friends is rebutted taking into account the discussions and actions of the parties 		
	Evaluate the effect, if any, of Ginika's decision to withdraw her original bid for the Dave's football shirt, e.g. if the text was acceptance then a contract between Dave and Ginika has been formed and her refusal to pay becomes a breach of contract		
	Consideration of any remedies such as damages that Dave may have against Ginika		

 Use of relevant cases such as Thornton v Shoe Lane, Gibson v MCC, Carlill v Carbolic smoke ball co, Hyde v Wrench, Felthouse v Bindley, Entores v Miles Far East Corporation, Thomas v BPE Solicitors, Merritt v Merritt, Balfour v Balfour, Esso Petroleum v Customs & Excise, Poussard v Spiers.

For **Dave against Henry** consideration

Identification of contractual issues:

- Offer
- Acceptance
- Intention to create legal relations
- Consideration
- Breach, actual and anticipatory
- · Remedies such as damages

For contract, consideration of:

- Invitation to treat/offer Dave's statement "bring £200 in cash..."
- Counter offer/acceptance Henry's statement "I'll take the football shirt" for "£220" and showing Dave the money
- Evaluate whether Dave's initial statement is a unilateral offer or an invitation to treat
- Evaluate whether or not Henry's actions and statement can be considered a counter offer to Ginika's text
- Intention to create legal relations evaluate whether the presumption of no intention to create legal relations between friends is rebutted taking into account the discussions and actions of the parties
- Evaluate whether Dave's response is a rejection of Henry's offer or non-acceptance by Dave means Henry's offer has lapsed due to time
- Evaluate whether Dave's decision to accept Henry's £220 is acceptance or an offer and the effect of Henry's refusal to pay the £220 for the football shirt
- Consideration of any remedies such as damages that Dave may have against Henry
- Use of relevant cases such as Thornton v Shoe Lane, Gibson v MCC, Carlill v Carbolic smoke ball co, Hyde v Wrench, Ramsgate Victoria Hotel Co v. Montefiore Felthouse v Bindley, Entores v Miles Far East Corporation, Thomas v BPE Solicitors, Merritt v Merritt,

Balfour v Balfour, Esso Petroleum v Customs & Excise, Poussard v Spiers.

Coming to logical conclusions focusing on key elements of each claim and appropriate remedies.

NB: Allow for any reasonable assessment of the contractual relationship between the three parties.

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