

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Tuesday 14 May 2019 – Afternoon

AS Level Law

H015/01 The legal system and criminal law

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes
plus your additional time allowance**

**YOU MUST HAVE:
the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet
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INSTRUCTIONS

Answer EIGHT questions in total:
Section A: answer ALL questions.
Section B: answer ALL questions.

INFORMATION

The total mark for this paper is 80.

The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].

Quality of extended response will be assessed in those questions marked with an asterisk (*).

SECTION A

The Legal System

Answer ALL questions.

- 1 Explain the differences between civil and criminal law. [10]**
- 2 Describe the roles of superior and inferior judges in civil cases. [10]**
- 3 Describe how a jury is selected for a criminal trial. [10]**
- 4 Discuss the advantages of using a jury in criminal cases. [10]**

SECTION B

Criminal Law

Read the scenario and answer ALL the questions.

Mia is at her local sports centre. While in the gym, she notices Deborah, a person who had bullied Mia at school, doing some exercises on the floor. Mia picks up a heavy weight, shouts “This is going to hurt!” and drops the weight on Deborah’s foot, breaking it. Stephanie, Deborah’s friend, runs over and punches Mia in the mouth, breaking one of her teeth.

Stephanie likes Ehsan, one of the instructors at the sports centre. She has regularly asked Ehsan to go out with her for a meal at a local restaurant. Ehsan has always refused. However, Stephanie’s constant asking has got him so stressed that he is frightened to go to work and, as a consequence, has been diagnosed by his doctor with severe depression.

- 5 Explain what is meant by the requirement of the ‘coincidence of actus reus and mens rea’ in criminal law. [10]**
- 6 Advise how the law relating to non-fatal offences against the person will apply to Mia. [10]**
- 7 Advise how the law relating to non-fatal offences against the person will apply to Stephanie. [10]**

- 8* Discuss the problems with the offence of battery and the extent to which reform of the law would make it more morally acceptable. [10]**

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