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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

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Answer **three** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

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Answer **three** questions.

- 1 'Magistrates are the backbone of the English Legal System.'

Explain the role and selection of magistrates and discuss why they might be said to play an essential role. [25]

- 2 Explain the appointment of the judiciary in England and Wales. Consider whether or not the judiciary can be considered to be truly independent. [25]

- 3 Assess how far the sentences available to the court for adult offenders reflect the various aims of sentencing. [25]

- 4 'The rules and methods of statutory interpretation allow judges to decide cases as they wish.'

Discuss the accuracy of this statement. [25]

- 5 Using illustrations from case law, trace the historical development of Equity and evaluate its contribution to the development of English Law. [25]

- 6 'The granting of bail to those charged with a criminal offence creates dangers for society.'

Explain how the decision to grant bail is made. To what extent do you consider the above statement to be true? [25]

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