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Task Weighting: 100% of Half Yearly Report

Outcomes

- H1. identifies and applies legal concepts and terminology
- H2. describes and explains key features of and the relationship between Australian and international law
- H3. analyses the operation of domestic and international legal systems
- H8. locates, selects, organises, synthesises and analyses legal information from a variety of sources including legislation, cases, media, international instruments and documents
- H9. communicates legal information using well-structured and logical arguments
- H10. analyses differing perspectives and interpretations of legal information and issues

ASSESSMENT OUTLINE

1. WHAT AREAS OF LEARNING DOES THIS ASSESSMENT ADDRESS?

In this Half Yearly Exam, students will be assessed on their ability to demonstrate an understanding of the concepts covered in the topics of **Crime** and **Human Rights**. Questions will require students to show their knowledge and understanding of the legal studies syllabus.

2. WHY IS THE COMPLETION OF THIS ASSESSMENT IMPORTANT?

This task will draw together the above outcomes to provide students the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of concepts within the study of Legal Studies, specifically in the topics of **Crime** and **Human Rights**. This task will allow them to gain feedback on areas of strength and areas in which to improve for their HSC.

3. WHAT STEPS DO I TAKE TO COMPLETE THIS TASK?

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This exam consists of **three** sections. All sections are **compulsory**. The exam will be for **2 hours** (plus 5 minutes reading time). It will consist of:

- 20 multiple-choice questions - 15 from the Crime topic and 5 from the Human Rights topic
- Short answer questions from the Human Rights topic worth a total of 20 marks
- 2 (two) extended responses from the Crime topic worth 15 marks each

Task Requirement

To prepare for this exam students will need to revise the work they have completed in class on **Crime** and **Human Rights**. Students should refer to their class notes, readings and review the effectiveness responses at the end of each sub-topic, as well as the 'Themes and Challenges' part of the syllabus. Students also need to attempt past HSC papers and make use of NESA's information on the internet that includes past papers with questions and answers (including sample response to extended responses).

Details for Submission

The paper will be 2 hours long plus 5 minutes reading time. This task will be completed under exam conditions during the **Half Yearly Exam Period** on **Monday 6 April 2020**. Students should consult their examination timetable to confirm the date and time of the exam.

Students must bring the required equipment for the examination, which is a blue or black pen. All writing paper will be provided. Students are NOT permitted to bring notes into the exam.

Students who are absent from the examination, or have a legitimate reason for missing the task, must notify the school before the exam commences. To avoid a zero mark being awarded, any absence must be supported by valid misadventure/illness documentation outlined in the Year 12 Assessment Booklet.

4. HOW WILL MARKS BE AWARDED TO MEASURE MY LEARNING?

Due to the structure of the exam being multiple choice, short answers and an extended responses, the mark allocation will vary. Marks will be indicated on the paper for each question. Students should answer each question according to how much the question is worth, and marks will be awarded accordingly. The correct answers will be provided and explained by the teacher when the exam paper is returned to the students.