



Legal Studies

Written examination – November

Introduction

The examination description and criteria were published in the *VCE Legal Studies Assessment Handbook 2006–2009*.

The duration of the examination will be 2 hours plus 15 minutes reading time in length. The examination will be scored out of sixty marks.

All outcomes in Units 3 and 4 will be examined. All of the key knowledge and skills that underpin the outcomes in Units 3 and 4 are examinable.

The examination paper may include questions which refer to stimulus materials such as newspaper articles, extracts from reports or case study material.

Structure and format

The structure and format of the examination for the revised Legal Studies (2006–2009) will be different from the 2005 examination.

The examination will not contain sections. All questions will be compulsory except for the final question which will provide a choice of two options, one focused on Unit 3 and one focused on Unit 4.

Short- and extended-responses will be required.

Past examination papers on the VCAA website: www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/vce/studies/legalstudies/legalindex.html can be utilised as a guide to relevant question types.

In 2006 the examination will be presented in a question and answer book. Students will be required to provide answers to questions within the spaces allocated on the paper. The number of lines provided after each question, together with the number of marks allocated, is a guide to the appropriate length of response. Extra space for responses will be available at the back of the question and answer book.

Sample examination

The following sample examination provides an indication of the types of questions and the length of responses teachers and students can expect on the Legal Studies Examination in November 2006.



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STUDENT NUMBER

Letter

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LEGAL STUDIES
Written examination

Day Date 2006

Reading time: *. ** to *.** ** (15 minutes)**

Writing time: *. ** to *.** ** (2 hours)**

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Structure of book

<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
14	14	60

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 19 pages.
- Additional space is available at the end of the book if you need extra paper to complete an answer.

Instructions

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- You should make use of stimulus material where it is included. However, it is not intended that this material will provide you with all the information to fully answer the question.
- All written responses must be in English.

Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other unauthorised electronic devices into the examination room.

4 marks

Question 7

Define the following **two** types of powers that exist under the Commonwealth Constitution.

- i. Exclusive powers
- ii. Residual powers

i. _____

ii. _____

4 marks

