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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
	Very well developed point (WDP)
	Unclear
	Applied point
	Developed point (DP)
	Well developed point (WDP)
	Not answered question
	Not Relevant
	Point
	Repetition
	Sort of
	Point has been noted, but no credit has been given / blank page has been checked for response
	Correct
	Applied
	Spare 1

SUBJECT–SPECIFIC MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

Introduction

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. You should ensure that you have copies of these materials:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper and its rubrics
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**. Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

Information and instructions for examiners

The co-ordination scripts provide you with examples of the standard of each band. The marks awarded for these scripts will have been agreed by the Team Leaders and will be discussed fully at the Examiners' Co-ordination Meeting.

The specific task-related indicative content for each question will help you to understand how the band descriptors may be applied. However, this indicative content **does not** constitute the mark scheme: it is material that candidates might use, grouped according to each assessment objective tested by the question. It is hoped that candidates will respond to questions in a variety of ways. Rigid demands for 'what must be a good answer' would lead to a distorted assessment. Candidates' answers must be relevant to the question. Beware of prepared answers that do not show the candidate's thought and which have not been adapted to the thrust of the question. Beware also of answers where candidates attempt to reproduce interpretations and concepts that they have been taught but have only partially understood.

Using the Mark Scheme

Please study this Mark Scheme carefully. The Mark Scheme is an integral part of the process that begins with the setting of the question paper and ends with the awarding of grades. Question papers and Mark Schemes are developed in association with each other so that issues of differentiation and positive achievement can be addressed from the very start.

This Mark Scheme is a working document; it is not exhaustive; it does not provide 'correct' answers. The Mark Scheme can only provide 'best guesses' about how the question will work out, and it is subject to revision after we have looked at a wide range of scripts.

The Examiners' Standardisation Meeting will ensure that the Mark Scheme covers the range of candidates' responses to the questions, and that all Examiners understand and apply the Mark Scheme in the same way. The Mark Scheme will be discussed and amended at the meeting, and administrative procedures will be confirmed. Co-ordination scripts will be issued at the meeting to exemplify aspects of candidates' responses and achievements; the co-ordination scripts then become part of this Mark Scheme. Please read carefully all the scripts in your allocation and make every effort to look positively for achievement throughout the ability range. Always be prepared to use the full range of marks.

Assessment Objectives

Three Assessment Objectives are being assessed across the questions: **AO1**: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles, **AO2**: Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology, **AO3**: Analyse and evaluate legal rules, principles and concepts.

For **AO2**, there are two elements to the assessment objective:

- Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios
- Present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology

These two elements should have equal weighting and be awarded jointly according to the guidance given in the level descriptors and indicative content. For example, to achieve level 4, an answer should include excellent application of legal rules and principles and excellent presentation of legal argument. Further guidance will be given in the standardisation meeting when there is an uneven performance across the elements.

Levels of Response

Questions in this paper are marked using a levels of response grid. When using this grid, examiners must use a best-fit approach. Where there are both strengths and weaknesses in a particular response, particularly imbalanced responses in terms of the assessment objectives, examiners must carefully consider which level is the best fit for the performance. Note that candidates can achieve different levels in each assessment objective, for example a Level 3 for AO1, and a Level 2 for AO2.

To use these grids:

Determine the level: start at the highest level and work down until you reach the level that matches the answer.

Determine the mark within the level: consider the following:

Descriptor	Award mark
On the borderline of this level and the one below	At the bottom level
Just enough achievement on balance for this level	Above bottom and either below middle or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Meets the criteria but with some slight inconsistency	Above middle and either below top of level or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Consistently meets the criteria for this level	At top of level

ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES: BREAKDOWN BY QUESTION**Section A**Questions **1-2**

Assessment Objective:	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks
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Question **3-4**

Assessment Objective:	AO3 1b: Analyse and evaluate legal issues. 12 marks
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Section BQuestion **5,6,8 and 9**

Assessment Objective:	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks
	AO2 1a/1b Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology. 12 marks

Questions **7*** and **10***

Assessment Objective:	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks
	AO3 1a: Analyse and evaluate legal rules and principles. 12 marks

Questions that have an asterisk (*) assess the quality of a candidate's extended response. Level descriptors are identified in the AO3 column in italics.

Section A

	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	<p><i>Explain the pre-trial procedure for triable either way offences.</i></p> <p>Answers may include the following:</p> <p>Plea before venue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a pre-trial hearing in the Magistrates Court • defendant asked whether they plead guilty or not guilty to the offence • If the defendant pleads guilty the case will proceed to a sentencing hearing • The magistrates retain the option of sending the defendant to the Crown Court for sentencing • If the defendant pleads not guilty the magistrates will carry out mode of trial proceedings <p>Mode of trial:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Magistrates will decide on the most appropriate court to try the case • When deciding the magistrates will consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ their own powers of sentencing ○ recommendations made by the prosecutor ○ the seriousness of the offence ○ the defendant's previous convictions <p>Defendant's election:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the magistrates accept summary jurisdiction the defendant is given the choice of court. <p>Credit any other relevant point(s)</p>	<p>8 AO1</p>	<p>Use Levels of Response criteria</p> <p>Level 4 (7-8 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response is accurate, fully developed and detailed. There will be excellent citation of fully relevant statutes and case law. <p>Level 3 (5-6 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response is detailed, but not fully developed in places. There will be good citation of mostly relevant statutes and case law. <p>Level 2 (3-4 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response may lack detail in places and is partially developed. There will be some reference to statutes and case law. <p>Level 1 (1-2 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response will have minimal detail. Citation of statutes and case law is limited. <p>Level 0 (0 marks)</p>

	Answer	Marks	Guidance
			No response or no response worthy of credit.

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2	<p><i>Describe the roles of superior judges in civil cases.</i></p> <p>Answers may include the following:</p> <p>High Court judges: In cases of first instance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Listen to the evidence ○ Decide the law ○ Decide as to liability ○ Decide the appropriate remedy <p>Appeals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Appeals from the County Court ○ Case stated appeals from the Magistrates' Courts <p>Lord Justices of Appeal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hear appeals from the three divisions of the High Court and their specialist courts and the County Court • Hear appeals against the finding of liability or about the remedy awarded • The court may allow the appeal in part, in full, dismiss it, or order a retrial. <p>Justices of the Supreme Court</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hear appeals from the Court of Appeal Civil Division • Hear leapfrog appeals from the High Court • Only hear appeals where there is a point of law involved • The decision of the court becomes precedent for all lower courts <p>Credit any other relevant point(s)</p>	8 AO1	<p>Use Levels of Response criteria</p> <p>Level 4 (7-8 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response is accurate, fully developed and detailed. There will be excellent citation of fully relevant statutes and case law. <p>Level 3 (5-6 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response is detailed, but not fully developed in places. There will be good citation of mostly relevant statutes and case law. <p>Level 2 (3-4 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response may lack detail in places and is partially developed. There will be some reference to statutes and case law. <p>Level 1 (1-2 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. • The response will have minimal detail. Citation of statutes and case law is limited. <p>Level 0 (0 marks) No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>

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3	<p><i>Discuss the disadvantages of using juries in criminal cases.</i></p> <p>Answers may include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jury members lack legal qualifications. Lay people make the decision rather than a legally qualified person. In some complex cases jurors may have difficulty understanding cases • Twelve people in one room might be considered too many to allow for productive discussion • Jury trial is time consuming and costly to the state • The compulsory nature of jury service makes it unpopular. To some it is an inconvenience • Difficult to know if the jury has been influenced by outside sources, for example, different types of media and in particular the use of social media • The jury does not need to give a reason for the decision reached making difficult for the defendant to appeal and there is no way of knowing how the decision was reached • Public confidence in juries may be lost due to perverse decisions i.e., when a decision does not appear to be justified • Members of the jury could be bribed or intimidated • Secrecy of jury decision making. There is no way of knowing whether the decision has been reached fairly or how the decision was reached • Selection using the electoral register may result in an unrepresentative panel. 	12 AO3 1b	<p>Use Levels of Response criteria</p> <p>Level 4 (10-12 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent analysis and evaluation of a wide range of legal concepts and issues. • The response is wide ranging and has a well sustained focus on the question. • The key points are fully discussed and fully developed. <p>Level 3 (7-9 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good analysis and evaluation of a range of legal concepts and issues. • The response has a mainly consistent focus on the question. • Most of the key points are well discussed and well developed. <p>Level 2 (4-6 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic analysis and evaluation of legal concepts and issues. • The response is partially focused on the question. • Some of the key points are discussed and partially developed. <p>Level 1 (1-3 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited analysis of legal concepts and/or issues. • The response has limited focus on the question. • Discussion of any key points is minimal.

	Answer	Marks	Guidance
	Credit any other relevant point(s)		Level 0 (0 marks) No response or no response worthy of credit.

	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	<p><i>Discuss the advantages of using the courts to solve a civil dispute.</i></p> <p>Answers may include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil courts are organised with strict procedures including pre-trial procedures and pre-action protocols • Civil Procedure Rules are well publicised and bring clarity and certainty to the procedures • Use of qualified legal personnel. A judge will preside over the case and both parties are usually represented by lawyers • At the end of the case there will be a reasoned judgment and a legally binding decision • In addition to a legally binding decision, a remedy is guaranteed • If the losing party fails to comply with the decision action can be taken - the decision is enforceable • Precedent will be used allowing lawyers to advise their clients as to the likely outcome • A person can appeal the decision of the civil courts if they have proper legal grounds. This may include appealing against the amount of compensation awarded • Case will be allocated to the most appropriate track/court • In some cases, the matter will be case managed by the Judge. Parties will be told when their case will be heard, approximately how long it will last, and the number of witnesses permitted. <p>Credit any other relevant point(s)</p>	<p>15 AO3 1b</p>	<p>Use Levels of Response criteria</p> <p>Level 4 (10-12 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent analysis and evaluation of a wide range of legal concepts and issues. • The response is wide ranging and has a well sustained focus on the question. • The key points are fully discussed and fully developed. <p>Level 3 (7-9 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good analysis and evaluation of a range of legal concepts and issues. • The response has a mainly consistent focus on the question. • Most of the key points are well discussed and well developed. <p>Level 2 (4-6 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic analysis and evaluation of legal concepts and issues. • The response is partially focused on the question. • Some of the key points are discussed and partially developed. <p>Level 1 (1-3 marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited analysis of legal concepts and/or issues. • The response has limited focus on the question. • Discussion of any key points is minimal. <p>Level 0 (0 marks)</p> <p>No response or no response worthy of credit.</p>

Section B

5. Advise whether Alan is criminally liable for robbery.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks. AO2: Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology. 12 marks.
Additional Guidance	The 'indicative content' is an example of valid content. Any other valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response. It is not expected for candidates to cover all of the indicative content.

AO1 Indicative content

Answers **may** include the following:

Define and explain robbery – charged under section 8 Theft Act 1968:

- *Actus reus* – theft accompanied by use or threat of force before or at time of stealing and in order to steal –s8 TA
- Force need not be substantial *Dawson and James*, but must be more than trivial *P v DPP*
- Actus reus can be seen as a continuous act but this is for a jury to decide *Hale, Lockley*,
- V need not feel actual fear of the use of force *B & R v DP*
- *Mens rea* – intention to steal and intention or recklessness as to force – *Robinson*
- Offence committed at the time the theft is complete – *Corcoran v Anderton*

Credit any other relevant point(s).

AO2 Indicative content

Answers **may** include the following:

In the case of pushing Claire in the back:

- Alan uses force by pushing Claire in the back in order to steal the £10 note

- The force was used immediately before or at the time of trying to take the £10 note
- This happens intentionally
- There is no theft as Steve is unable to appropriate the £10 note as the customer gives it back to Claire.

In the case of taking Steve's wallet:

- Alan seeks to put Steve in fear of force by threatening him in order to steal the wallet
- The force was used immediately before stealing the wallet
- It does not matter that Steve is apparently not put in fear, simply that Alan's intent is to put him in fear
- There is a theft as Steve appropriates the wallet and intends to do so.

In the case of taking 'Taylor's phone:

- Alan uses force by kicking Taylor
- The force was used immediately before stealing the 'phone
- This happens intentionally
- There is a theft as Steve takes 'Taylor's phone.
- Unlikely to be a robbery in that the force used was probably not '*in order to*' steal and taking the 'phone is likely to be opportunist.

Reach a reasoned conclusion in each instance.

Credit any other relevant point(s)

	AO1	Mark	AO2 1a/1b	Mark
Level 4	Excellent knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response is accurate, fully developed and detailed. There will be excellent citation of fully relevant case law.	7-8	Excellent application of legal rules to a given scenario. Excellent presentation of a legal argument which is accurate, fully developed and detailed. Fully appropriate legal terminology is used.	10-12
Level 3	Good knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response is detailed, but not fully developed in places. There will be good citation of mostly relevant case law.	5-6	Good application of legal rules to a given scenario. Good presentation of a legal argument which is detailed but not fully developed in places. Appropriate legal terminology is used.	7-9
Level 2	Basic knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response may lack detail in places and is partially developed. There will be some reference to case law.	3-4	Basic application of legal rules to a given scenario. Basic presentation of a legal argument which may lack detail in places and is partially developed. Some appropriate legal terminology is used.	4-6
Level 1	Limited knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response will have minimal detail. Citation of case law is limited.	1-2	Limited application of legal rules to a given scenario. Limited presentation of a legal argument which has minimal detail and is unstructured and/or unclear. Minimal legal terminology is used.	1-3
Level 0	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0

6. Advise whether Kareem has the required *mens rea* to convict him for any possible crimes. You do not need to discuss the specific crimes.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks. AO2: Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology. 12 marks.
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AO1 Indicative content

Answers **may** include the following:

Define and explain direct intention:

- Most serious level of *mens rea* and required for relatively few offences is indicative of a high level of blameworthiness
- Direct intent – *Mohan* – ‘a decision to bring about a certain consequence’
- Section 8 Criminal Justice Act 1967 created a subjective test which makes it clear foresight of consequences is only part of the evidence from which intention can be inferred

Define and explain indirect/oblique/implied intention:

- Oblique intent – the consequence is not the defendant’s main aim but occurs as a direct result of their actions and is linked to their foresight of the consequence
- Oblique intent has been developed by the courts – *Woollin, Matthews and Alleyne*

Define and explain the concept of transferred malice

- Common law doctrine where the *mens rea* of an offence can be ‘transferred’ to another *identical* offence
- *Mens rea* of intention is required, not recklessness
- Under the doctrine the Law ‘transfers’ the intention from the intended victim or intended property to the actual victim or property, *Latimer* (1886), *Gnango* (2011).
- Prevents defendants arguing that there was no *mens rea* for the ultimate victim’s injury or damage to an alternative property
- Law generally doesn’t transfer intent from one crime to another, *Pembilton* (1874).

Define and explain subjective recklessness:

- Level of *mens rea* lower than intention
- Subjective recklessness involves conscious and deliberate risk taking which is unjustified
- A subjective test – *Cunningham*
- Most recent clarification comes from *G and R* -D must be ‘aware of a risk’ and nevertheless go on to take it.

Credit any other relevant point(s)

AO2 Indicative content

Answers may include the following:

In the case of killing Eva:

- Kareem’s has decided to bring about the consequence of Eva’s death
- He deliberately drove the car at her, killing her
- His foresight of the consequence was clear in driving the car at her in order to kill her
- intent can be at least inferred

In the case of killing hundreds of people on the boat:

- The death of passengers was not Kareem’s clear aim but is a result of planting the bomb and must be linked to whether he foresaw the consequence
- If Kareem is charged with murder, the direct intent of killing the passengers is probably not evident
- Apply the Virtual Certainty test - decision is one for the jury to be reached upon a consideration of all the evidence of the bombing
- Alternatively, argue transferred malice could be used to gain a conviction for the deaths of the passengers. As Kareem clearly intended to kill Freddy this intent could be transferred to the passengers, and he could be convicted on this basis.

In the case of killing Charlie:

- A jury would need to consider if Kareem was aware of the risk that harm that would occur in setting fire to the recycle bin
- He continued to take the risk, but whether the consequent damage would in fact occur, or might occur from his actions, is questionable
- Kareem nevertheless continued regardless of the risk.

Reach a reasoned conclusion in each instance.

Credit any other relevant point(s)

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Level 3	Good knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response is detailed, but not fully developed in places. There will be good citation of mostly relevant case law.	5-6	Good application of legal rules to a given scenario. Good presentation of a legal argument which is detailed but not fully developed in places. Appropriate legal terminology is used.	7-9
Level 2	Basic knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response may lack detail in places and is partially developed. There will be some reference to case law.	3-4	Basic application of legal rules to a given scenario. Basic presentation of a legal argument which may lack detail in places and is partially developed. Some appropriate legal terminology is used.	4-6
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Level 0	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0

7* and 10* 'The current law relating to self-defence is easily criticised and needs to be reformed urgently.' Discuss the extent to which this statement is accurate.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks. AO3 1a: Analyse and evaluate legal rules and principles. 12 marks.
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AO1 Indicative content

Discuss the extent to which this statement is accurate.

Answers **may** include the following:

Define public defence – section 3 Criminal Law Act 1967 – defence for a person who uses force reasonable in the circumstances to prevent crime or to lawfully arrest offenders or suspects or those unlawfully at large.

Define common law defence – *Whyte, Oatridge*

- Scope of the defence – normally non-fatal offences against the person but can be other crimes such as murder or against property – *Hussey*
- Possibility of retreat – *Palmer, Bird, Beckford, s76(A) CJA 2008*
- Imminence of threat – *AG Ref (No 2 of 1983) (1983), Malnik, Rashford*
- Reasonableness of force – *Palmer, Whyte, Scarlett, Owino, Martin*
- Proportionality – s76(6)CJA 2008 Objective test – *Oye (2013)*
- Use of excessive force – *Clegg*.
- Defendant as aggressor – *Rashford*
- Intoxication and self-defence, – *O'Grady*
- Pre-emptive strikes – *Deana, Bird*
- Special rules in householder cases where householders can use 'disproportionate force' but not grossly disproportionate force s 76(5A) CJA 2008, *Ray 2017*

Define section 76 Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008.

Credit any other relevant point(s)

AO3 Indicative content

Answers **may** include the following:

Discuss any or all of the following areas in the context of is easily criticised and needs to be reformed urgently:

- All or nothing approach and harshness in murder cases
- Danger of an apparently two-tier defence if citizens and those with public duty treated differently
- A moral defence can be very difficult to interpret
- Could be used to help battered women, as in the USA, but danger of *carte blanche* for force
- Allowing householders to use 'disproportionate force' is a dramatic shift in law.
- Problem of allowing pre-emptive strike.
- Is it fair to expect someone feeling vulnerable to only use reasonable force?
- Need to discourage vigilante justice
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Possible overlap with Loss of control defence may lead to confusion. Reach any sensible conclusion

Credit any other relevant point(s).

	AO1	Mark	AO3 1a	Mark
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Level 3	Good knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response is detailed, but not fully developed in places. There will be good citation of mostly relevant case law.	5-6	Good analysis and evaluation of a range of legal rules and principles. The response has a mainly consistent focus on the question. Most of the key points are well discussed and well developed to reach a valid conclusion. <i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence.</i>	7-9
Level 2	Basic knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response may lack detail in places and is partially developed. There will be some reference to case law. Limited knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response will have minimal detail. Citation of case law is limited.	3-4	Basic analysis and evaluation of legal rules and principles. The response is partially focused on the question. Some of the key points are discussed and partially developed to reach a basic conclusion. <i>The information has some relevance and is presented with a basic structure. The information is supported by basic evidence.</i>	4-6
Level 1	Limited knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response will have minimal detail. Citation of case law is limited.	1-2	Limited analysis of legal rules and principles. The response has limited focus on the question. Discussion of any key points is minimal. <i>The information is limited and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.</i>	1-3

Level 0	No response or no response worthy of credit	0	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0
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8. Advise whether Jack can avoid liability for murder by using the defence of diminished responsibility.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks. AO2: Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology. 12 marks.
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AO1 Indicative content

Answers **may** include the following:

Define and explain voluntary manslaughter – Coroners and Justice Act 2009 defence

Define and explain defence of diminished responsibility as amended by s52 Coroners and Justice Act 2009:

- Must be an abnormality of mental functioning – *Byrne*
 - Defendant to have a recognised medical condition – *Dietschmann, Jama, Seers Gittens,*
 - Acute voluntary intoxication is not a recognised medical condition – Dowds although ADS is – Wood
 - Defendant to be substantially impaired R (2010) – grossly impaired, Lloyd – more than trivial impairment.
 - Must be unable to: understand the nature of their act, or form a rational judgment or exercise self-control
 - Importance of medical expert evidence. Where 2 doctors agree on RMC then murder must be withdrawn from jury – Brennan (2014)
- Abnormality to provide explanation for defendant's acts and omissions – must be causal link but need not be the only one

Credit reasonable alternative points and cases.

Credit any other relevant point(s).

AO2 Indicative content

Answers **may** include the following:

- Jack has a recognised medical condition - he had depression
- Depression provides a basis for a defence of AMF
- If his drinking is acute voluntary intoxication, it would not be part of the recognised medical condition
- Alcohol dependence syndrome, however, would be a recognised medical condition and can be considered a basis for a defence of AMF
- His mental functioning appears to have been substantially impaired causing him to:
 - not understand the nature of his act
 - stop him from forming a rational judgement or
 - exercising self-control
- The depression and ADS may provide an explanation of his act
- Conclude the depression and addiction does/does not explain his actions – With justification

Reach a reasoned conclusion in each instance.

Credit any other relevant point(s)

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Level 3	Good knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response is detailed, but not fully developed in places. There will be good citation of mostly relevant case law.	5-6	Good application of legal rules to a given scenario. Good presentation of a legal argument which is detailed but not fully developed in places. Appropriate legal terminology is used.	7-9
Level 2	Basic knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response may lack detail in places and is partially developed. There will be some reference to case law.	3-4	Basic application of legal rules to a given scenario. Basic presentation of a legal argument which may lack detail in places and is partially developed. Some appropriate legal terminology is used.	4-6
Level 1	Limited knowledge and understanding of the English legal system, rules and principles. The response will have minimal detail. Citation of case law is limited.	1-2	Limited application of legal rules to a given scenario. Limited presentation of a legal argument which has minimal detail and is unstructured and/or unclear. Minimal legal terminology is used.	1-3
Level 0	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0

9. Advise whether Anika is criminally liable for the crime of attempted theft in relation to the painting.

Assessment Objectives	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles. 8 marks. AO2: Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology. 12 marks.
Additional Guidance	The 'indicative content' is an example of valid content. Any other valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response. It is not expected for candidates to cover all of the indicative content.

AO1 Indicative content

Answers may include the following:

Define and explain attempted crimes under the Criminal Attempts Act 1981:

Explain *actus reus*:

- Section 1 (1) – doing an act which is more than merely preparatory – *Gullefer, Jones, Campbell, Geddes, e, , Tosti*.

Explain *mens rea*:

- Intention – *Widdowson, Whybrow, Mohan, s1(1) CAA*
- Recklessness in relation to consequences – *AG Ref. (No. 3 of 1992) (1994)*
- Conditional intent – *Easom, Husseyn, AG Ref. (No. 1 and 2 of 1979) (1979)*.

Explain impossibility:

- Section 1 (2) and section 1 (3) – *Shivpuri, Taaffe, Jones (2007)*.

Credit any other relevant point(s)

AO2 Indicative content

Answers may include the following:

In the case of reaching for the painting on the wall:

- Anika's act is one capable of being '*more than merely preparatory*' as she actually reaches for the painting and tries to remove it from the wall in order to take it
- It is unlikely that her act may be one of mere preparation as she has passed the preparatory phase and has 'embarked on the crime proper'

Her intent was to commit the full offence – a proof of a decision to bring about taking the painting In the case of approaching the art-gallery and turning back:

- Anika's act is one capable of being mere preparation and, if so, would not fall under section 1(1) Criminal Attempts Act as she has not 'embarked on the crime proper'
- Anika's act is one capable of being mere preparation as she walked away close to the door after noticing the security guards inside
- Her act may, although unlikely, be one which is '*more than merely preparatory*' since she hadn't got close enough to put her plan to steal the painting into operation
- Her intent was to commit the full offence – a proof of a decision to bring about taking the painting

In the case of taking the forged painting:

- Anika can still be liable for taking the forged/wrong painting even if the offence is one of attempting the impossible: although the crime was factually impossible (it wasn't the original) the crime was not legally impossible
- Her act is one capable of being '*more than merely preparatory*' as she has actually taken the painting
- Her act is unlikely to be one of 'mere preparation' as he has actually taken the painting

Her intent was to commit the full offence – a proof of a decision to bring about taking the painting

Reach a reasoned conclusion in each instance.

Credit any other relevant point(s)

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10* As per question 7

Assessment Objectives Grid

Questions	AO1	AO2 1a/1b**	AO3 1a	AO3 1b	Total
1-2	8	0	0	0	8
3-4	0	0	0	12	12
5 or 8	8	12	0	0	20
6 or 9	8	12	0	0	20
7* or 10*	8	0	12	0	20
Total	32	24	12	12	80

**AO2 elements 1a and 1b will be awarded jointly.

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