

## SUMMER BRIDGING WORK 2023

Summer Bridging Work is an important part of your transition to Wilberforce Sixth Form College. This piece of work will count towards your effort grade. Please complete your summer bridging work in time for the start of term.

**You are required to bring evidence in paper format and hand this into your subject teacher during your first lesson.**

### A level Law

**OVERVIEW OF SUBJECT:** Law is fascinating because it is all around us. If you travelled to us by road, the speed limits along the roads are set by law. The number of people allowed on the bus are set by law. The bus fare you paid is set by law. These are just a few examples of how Law works.

**ENTRY CRITERIA** You will need an average GCSE score of 5.3 and you must have a grade 4 in English

#### LITERACY TASKS

1. Research how members of the public are selected to be part of a jury in England and Wales and explain their role in a Crown Court trial.

Try to answer the following questions:

1. How many members sit on a jury in a criminal trial?
  2. In which criminal court will you find a jury?
  3. State the three qualifications for jury service (age, how long they must have lived in UK and the register that the names are taken from).
  4. Are some people disqualified / ineligible from sitting on a jury?
  5. Do jurors receive any money? How much?
  6. How long does jury service normally last?
  7. What is a jury's main role in a criminal trial?
  8. Explain the meaning of a unanimous decision.
  9. Explain the meaning of majority verdict.
  10. What do jurors have to be careful of when they are making their decision?
2. Research articles that discuss whether the jury system should still be used in the criminal justice system. For this, you will need to focus on the advantages and disadvantages of using a jury to decide a person's guilt or innocence. You must not copy directly from Wikipedia or any other websites you use for research. You should produce a bibliography (list of books, journals, websites etc.) that you have used for your research at the end of your document.

The following websites may be of use, however you will need to find further articles for the evaluation:

<https://www.gov.uk/jury-service>

<https://www.inbrief.co.uk/legal-system/jury-selection-process/>

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/magazine/7180764.stm>

<https://www.theguardian.com/law/shortcuts/2013/feb/21/10-things-jurors-need-to-know>

<https://www.theguardian.com/money/2016/aug/20/jury-service-repeated-summons>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yQGekF-72xQ>

[Evaluation of the jury system - YouTube](#)

**Using the information from your research you must now create a report / essay.** This could be handwritten or typed.

You should produce a bibliography (list of books, journals, websites etc.) that you have used for your research at the end of your document.

### **PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES**

Below we have listed four careers linked to Law. You are tasked to research the four careers, choose one that most appeals to you and write a 200-word essay as to why you feel this career would be most suited to you.

- Solicitor
- Barrister
- Police Officer
- Paralegal

Kind regards

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If you have any queries regarding your Summer Bridging Work, please contact me via email [se@wilberforce.ac.uk](mailto:se@wilberforce.ac.uk) I will aim to respond before your enrolment appointment.