

ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL

ASSESSMENT TASK NOTIFICATION

Subject	Stage 5 Commerce
Торіс	Law in Action
Class Teacher	Paine
Head Teacher	Paine
Year	9
Date Given	30/8/19 Week 6
Date Due	Week 8
Weighting	20%

Assessment Outline

Task Outline:

 Collect 4 media articles on a (Civil) <u>Private</u> law & (Criminal) <u>Public</u> law of your choice. The articles must have the source, date and author. The media articles is to be from Australia and concerning an Australian case, preferably NSW. Articles are to be within the past 5 years.

Write a summary of the articles and discuss the legal processes involved.

Your media reports should include:

- i. Classification
- ii. Parties involved in matter (including legal personnel)
- iii. Brief explanation of events
- iv. Court that the matter that was heard
- v. Judgment and any penalties
- vi. Justice. In your opinion was justice served in this case? (Reference should be made to the processes involved in accessing the law and why or why not this case has brought legislation reform)

2. Research an area of law or a contemporary issue (legal) that interests you and has or may have experienced change. Some interesting topics can be found in the areas of: Euthanasia - Victoria, Decriminalising Abortion in NSW, Israel Folau – workplace issue., proposed Religious Discrimination Bill, Family Law, Technology Law, Human Rights Law, Indigenous Land Rights, Laws affecting young people, Anti-terrorism laws and Employment Law, but you may choose another focus area not listed here. Once you have selected a topic and developed an outline, please check this with your teacher to ensure it is appropriate. As you can see from the suggested topics, you may choose to focus on Legislative (Statute law) or Common Law change.

In your essay, you will need to address the following questions:

- **1. Identify** an Australian law that has been changed in the last 5 years (amended) OR a new law that has been proposed or created (either via statute or common law).
- 2 **Discuss** why this law was amended or created and how this law change or creation came about, and the effect of the law change may have on providing justice to the relevant stakeholders in society (200 words).
- 3. Describe your personal thoughts on the law change (or proposal/ precedent) and its impacts (200 words).
- 4. Evaluate whether you believe this change is positive or negative for society (300 words).

If you know you are going to be away on the day that the task is due, you must make alternative arrangements

with your teacher beforehand. If you are suddenly away on the day that the task is due, you must contact your teacher or Head Teacher on your return to school. Documentation will be required in both classes.

<u>Plagiarism:</u>

Plagiarism, the using of the work of others without acknowledgement will incur serious penalties and may result in zero award. Any cheating will also incur penalties.

Failure to follow the above procedures may result in a zero award.

The policies and procedures that are outlined on the ROSA booklet will be followed regarding the noncompletion of assessment tasks.

Outcomes Assessed

5.1 applies consumer, financial, business, legal and employment concepts and terminology in a variety of contexts

5.2 analyses the rights and responsibilities of individuals in a range of consumer, financial, business,

legal and employment contexts

5.3 examines the role of law in society

5.4 analyses key factors affecting commercial and legal decisions

5.5 evaluates options for solving commercial and legal problems and issues

5.7 researches and assesses commercial and legal information using a variety of source

Part A - Marking Criteria for the Article section	Marks
 Choice of media articles appropriate with sufficient detailed information. A detailed and accurate summary of the content of the media articles and a cohesive discussion covering all elements in the task outline. Clearly demonstrates extensive knowledge and understanding of the legal system. Integrates relevant legal terminology and concepts. Presents a sustained, logical and cohesive response 	17-20 A
 Choice of media articles appropriate with relevant information. An accurate summary of the content of the media articles and discussion covering most elements in the task outline. Demonstrates sound knowledge and understanding of the legal system. Integrates relevant legal terminology and concepts. Presents a clear and logical response 	13-16 B
 Choice of media articles appropriate with some reference to the legal process. A summary of the content of the media articles and limited discussion covering some elements in the task outline Demonstrates some knowledge and understanding of the legal system. Integrates legal terminology and concepts. Presents a clear and logical response 	9-12 C
 Choice of media articles appropriate with limited reference to the legal process. A brief summary and basic outline of the media articles and legal processes. Demonstrates basic knowledge and understanding of the legal system. May use relevant legal terminology and concepts. 	5-8 D
 Articles have limited law reference. Demonstrates limited knowledge and understanding of the criminal justice system. Makes limited use of legal terms 	1-4 E

Part B: Extended response

Criteria	Mark s
 Demonstrates a comprehensive understanding and evaluation of the selected contemporary issue Presents clear arguments (explicit OR implicit) based on criteria as to whether the issue provides justice for society, individuals or groups. Integrates examples from a variety of sources to support arguments Provides a logical well- structured response using key legal terms 	21-25
 Demonstrates a substantial understanding and evaluation of the selected contemporary issue Presents sound arguments (explicit OR implicit) based on criteria as to whether the issue provides justice for society, individuals or groups. Uses examples from a variety of sources to support arguments Provides a clear and well-structured response using key legal terms 	16-19
 Demonstrates a sound understanding and evaluation of the selected contemporary issue Presents some arguments (explicit OR implicit) based on criteria as to whether the issue provides justice for society, individuals or groups. Refers to examples from a variety of sources to support arguments Provides a structured response using key legal terms 	11-15
 Demonstrates a general understanding of the contemporary issue and evaluation of the selected contemporary issue Presents few arguments (explicit OR implicit) based on criteria as to whether the issue provides justice for society, individuals or groups. May refer to few examples from a variety of sources to support arguments Provides a response using some key legal terms 	
 Demonstrates a limited understanding of the and/or evaluation of the selected contemporary issue Writes in general terms about a contemporary issue AND/OR the law 	1-5

Comments