

DRAFT PERFORMANCE BANDS

LEGAL STUDIES

The typical performance in this band:

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| Band 6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analyses information, synthesises ideas and interprets issues to evaluate the effectiveness of the legal system • demonstrates extensive knowledge and understanding of continuity and change of the legal system and the processes and mechanisms involved in that change • applies sophisticated analysis of the operation and dimensions of the legal system in addressing specific issues • makes comprehensive use of relevant cases, legislation, media reports and opinion to support arguments in a domestic and international context • presents balanced and coherent arguments on controversial and contemporary issues • analyses and provides explanation of the inter-relationships between individuals, groups and society in the legal system • communicates an argument/opinion using relevant legal vocabulary |
| Band 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analyses information and interprets issues to evaluate the effectiveness of the legal system • demonstrates detailed knowledge and understanding of continuity and change of the legal system and the processes and mechanisms involved in that change • analyses the operation and dimensions of the legal system • uses relevant research from cases, legislation, media reports and opinion to support arguments in a domestic and international context • presents clear arguments on controversial and contemporary issues • describes the complexity of inter-relationships between individuals, groups and society in the legal system • uses appropriate legal vocabulary competently |
| Band 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides some analysis of information and issues related to the effectiveness of the legal system • demonstrates good knowledge and understanding of continuity and change of the legal system and of the broad processes and mechanisms involved in that change • demonstrates an understanding of the operation and dimensions of the legal system • refers to relevant cases and/or legislation in the legal system in a domestic and international context • describes inter-relationships between individuals, groups and society in the legal system • uses appropriate legal vocabulary |
| Band 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demonstrates basic knowledge and understanding of continuity and change of the legal system • describes some issues related to the effectiveness of the legal system • demonstrates a basic understanding of the operation and dimensions of the legal system • makes basic reference to cases and legislation in the legal system in a domestic and international context • provides simple descriptions of the inter-relationships between individuals, groups and society in the legal system • uses basic legal vocabulary |
| Band 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recognises some issues and changes in the legal system • demonstrates a limited understanding of some aspects of the operations and dimensions of the legal system • recognises the role individuals, groups and society have in the legal system • uses some elementary legal vocabulary |
| Band 1 | |