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**SCHOOL OF HISTORY, LAW AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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**Law Exam Paper**

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Students should complete only **TWO QUESTIONS** from the 10 set out below.

Time permitted – 2 hours.

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1. Explain the concept of judicial precedent and its role in the English legal system. How does it contribute to the development of law and what are the potential limitations of relying on precedent?
2. Analyse the sources of English law, including common law, statute law, and delegated legislation.
3. Discuss the separation of powers in the English legal system and its impact on the administration of justice. How does the separation of powers prevent the abuse of power?
4. Critically evaluate the role of the judiciary in the English legal system, considering its powers and limitations.
5. Discuss the rights of the accused in the English criminal justice system, including the presumption of innocence and the right to a fair trial.
6. Analyse the different types of criminal defences, such as self-defence, insanity, and duress.
7. Discuss the sentencing process in the English criminal justice system, including the factors considered by judges when determining appropriate punishments.
8. Critically examine the role of the Law Commission in reforming and modernizing English law.
9. Analyse the role of juries in the English criminal justice system. Consider the arguments for and against jury trials and evaluate their effectiveness in ensuring fair trials.
10. Discuss the concept of equity and its role in the English legal system. How does equity supplement the common law and provide more flexible remedies?

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