



**Victorian Certificate of Education  
2015**



STUDENT NUMBER  Letter

# LEGAL STUDIES

## Written examination

2015

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 2 hours

## QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

### Structure of book

<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
16	16	70

- Students are permitted to bring into the assessment room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

### Materials supplied

- Question and answer booklet.
- Additional space is available at the end of the book if you need extra paper to complete an answer.

### Instructions

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- You should make use of stimulus material where it is included. However, it is not intended that this material will provide you with all the information to fully answer the question.
- All written responses must be in English.

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**Instructions**

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

**Question 1** (2 marks)

One of the main roles of both the House of Representative and the Senate is to make laws. Outline one other role of each house.

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**Question 2** (2 marks)

Explain the principle of responsible government.

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**Question 3** (2 marks)

Zina strongly believes the legal driving age in Victoria should be lowered to 17 to bring it in line with the rest of Australia. Explain one way she may influence the Victorian Parliament to change this law.

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- c. If found guilty, explain the sanction Gina would be likely to receive, and the one purpose of that sanction. 2 marks

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