Discussion class notes for SCL1501-Date 21/04/2012 @ Durban Regional Office

May/June 2012 Exam tips – HOT!

Section 1- study skills 25 marks

1. What do you understand about Learning & the learner as a subjective being?

Answer: Learning is an active process.....

Include the characteristics of learning which falls under participation on page 3

2. The learning contract....

Possible exam question: Draft a learning contract see tut201 for the points on what to include in a learning contract Dates, witnesses, place, breach clause etc.

- 3. Prioritising in the exam
- 4. Learn the entire list of action words in the study guide i.e. compare, criticise etc. pg. 21
- 5. Learn about how the learning contract is linked to motivation
- 6. Time planning pg11
- 7. Learn all the models of study groups on page 14 as one of these will be in the exam
- 8. 1.9 pg. 15 learn note making
- 9. Learn the few points about the note making process pg. 16

Section 2-Reading skills 25 marks

- 1. What is the importance of a statute, legislation or act of parliament?
- 2. What are the components of an act or what does an act consist of? Short title, long title, preamble, definition, sections, subsections, paragraphs & sub paragraphs
- 3. What is the importance of a signed text?
- 4. When does an act come into effect?
- 5. Presumptions: learn these
- 6. Do not learn the list of Latin terms from page 38-42
- 7. What are the components of a case? A. the case name B.year & volume C.Series of law reports D.The page where the report starts E. the court where the case was decided.
- 8. Do not learn abbreviations on page 46-47

- 9. Distinguish between the catch phrase & the headnotes?
- 10. Distinction between Majority, minority & separate judgment
- 11.Pg. 56 what are the components of a case citation?
 - 1. Name of the case
 - 2. Year & volume
 - 3. Series of law reports
 - 4. Page where case starts in report
 - 5. The court which decided the matter Pg. 42-45
- 12.Pg. 73 learn the structure of an article & reading an article, possible exam question. Give a structure of a good article?

 What do you need to take into account when reading an article?

Section 3 Research skills 10 marks

- 1. Distinguish between primary & secondary sources of law
- 2. Finding primary sources 7 legislation
- 3. Notes @ the bottom of page 78
- 4. Learn the 2 points on page 79 short title & subject section
- 5. Page 80
- 6. Finding court cases Know where to find court cases in points 1 &2
- 7. What is common law?
- 8. Finding secondary sources
- 9. Know the similarities between bibliography & the footnotes & the differences between footnotes & bibliography

Section 4

- 1. What is non-verbal communication?
- 2. Learn the actual interview
- 3. Learn only what non-sequitur & argumentum ad hominem on page 110
- 4. Know how to draft an opening address on page 113
- 5. Top of page 114 prayerslearn it e.g. your worship my name is jasmine Sullivan; I act for the plaintiff.....
- 6. Know the examination in chief, cross examination, re-examination & closing arguments pg. 114-116
- 7. Know when to object & when not to

Section 5

Numeric skills

Know about salvage value

Know how to calculate average

Attorneys account in the exam-please take note of per page or any part thereof

Explain average & connect it to the scenario

Apportionment of damages In paper... calculate who must pay who & how much?

Know how to reduce km/h

Egg if jasmine was driving at 15% less than what she is currently driving 255km/h.....255-15% = answer!

Good luck ©