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# Preface

This book is designed primarily for students sitting the following examinations:-

ACCA	Level 1.4	Law;
CIMA	Exemption Paper	Business Studies (Law);
CIMA	Stage 1	Business Law;
ICSA	Part 1	Introduction to English Law;
ICSA	Part 2	English Business Law;

It is also relevant to any other students who are taking an introductory law course, for example Legal Executives, AAT, IComA and BTEC students.

The basic requirement for passing any law examination is a good factual knowledge of the relevant law. The bulk of the text is therefore devoted to the presentation of rules of law in a style and format which will help students to assimilate the necessary facts. The remainder of the text serves three purposes:-

1. Chapters 1 and 2 recognise that examination success is not merely an indication of factual knowledge or even intelligence. Organisation in learning and examination technique are also being tested and therefore need to be practised as much as possible.
2. The Coursework and Revision Questions (most of which are actual past examination questions) provide the opportunity and incentive to undertake the practice which is essential to pass the examination. They are also an indication of the standard expected by the examiner. It is suggested that the Coursework Questions are attempted at appropriate times throughout the course whereas the Revision Questions (as their name implies) are best "saved" until the end of the course. Suggested answers are given to all of these questions (71 in all) in Appendices 1 and 2.
3. Appendix 3 is intended as a teaching aid. It consists of 30 more difficult questions without suggested answers. Lecturers may obtain from the publishers free of charge, provided the order is placed on college notepaper, notes to assist in discussion of these questions.
4. The Fifth Edition incorporates changes introduced by the Employment Act 1988, the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 and the Companies Act 1989. Several new cases have also been included.

The law is stated as at 1st September 1990.

## Note on reprint 1991

This reprint, September 1991, incorporates amendments as a consequence of:  
The Employment Act 1989  
The Employment Act 1990  
The Courts & Legal Services Act 1990

# Syllabus Guide

Topic	ACCA	CIMA Exemption Paper	CIMA Stage 1	ICSA Pt.1	ICSA Pt.2
Sources of Law	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
English Legal History	✓	✗	Background Reading	Background Reading	✗
The Courts, Tribunals, Arbitration	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
The Personnel of the Law	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
Procedure and Evidence	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
The Law of Persons:-					
- Natural Persons	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
- Companies	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
- Partnerships	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
- Trade Unions	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
Property Law	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
Trusts	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
The Law of Contract	✓	✓	✓	✓	
				(Outline)	(Depth)
The Law of Tort:-					
- Negligence	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
- Strict Liability	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗
- Nuisance	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
- Trespass	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
- Defamation	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
- Conversion	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
Agency	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Sale of Goods	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓
Consumer Credit	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓
Negotiable Instruments	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓
Insurance	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Carriage of Goods	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Lien and Bailment	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Bankruptcy	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Patents etc.	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
Labour Law:-					
- In Outline	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
- In Depth	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗

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