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**LLB EXAMINATION**  
for External Students

PART II EXAMINATION (Scheme A)  
THIRD AND FOURTH YEAR EXAMINATIONS (Scheme B)  
GRADUATE ENTRY LEVEL II (Route A)  
GRADUATE ENTRY THIRD YEAR (Route B)

**History of English Law**

Tuesday 9 June 2009: 2.30 - 5.45 pm

Candidates will have **fifteen minutes** during which they may read the paper and make rough notes **ONLY** in their answer books. They then have the remaining **THREE HOURS** in which to answer the questions.

Candidates should answer **FOUR** of the following **NINE** questions.

Candidates should answer all parts of a question unless otherwise stated.

1. What part did features of the Anglo-Saxon legal system in operation before 1066 play in the making of the common law system after that date?
2. How significant was the reign of Henry II for English law?
3. What means existed in the period before 1875 for the rectification of mistakes at trial at common law?
4. What was the contribution of legal education and legal writing to the making of the common law?
5. Who benefited from the passing of the Statute of Uses 1536?
6. “The common law of real property had consisted largely of the law of feudal tenures and had not developed a clear concept of ownership.” (Berman)  
  
To what extent did the development of the remedy of ejectment address this problem?
7. Why and how did the action of assumpsit come to be the main remedy for breach of contract in the common law?
8. Assess the significance of the decision in *Scott v Shepherd* (1773) in the development of the modern law of liability for negligent wrongs.
9. Assess the contribution of the claim of benefit of clergy to the making of the substantive law of crimes.

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