

Year 12 BTEC Extended Certificate in Applied Law

Summer Independent Learning (SIL)

The extended certificate in applied law course covers 4 units over 2 years.

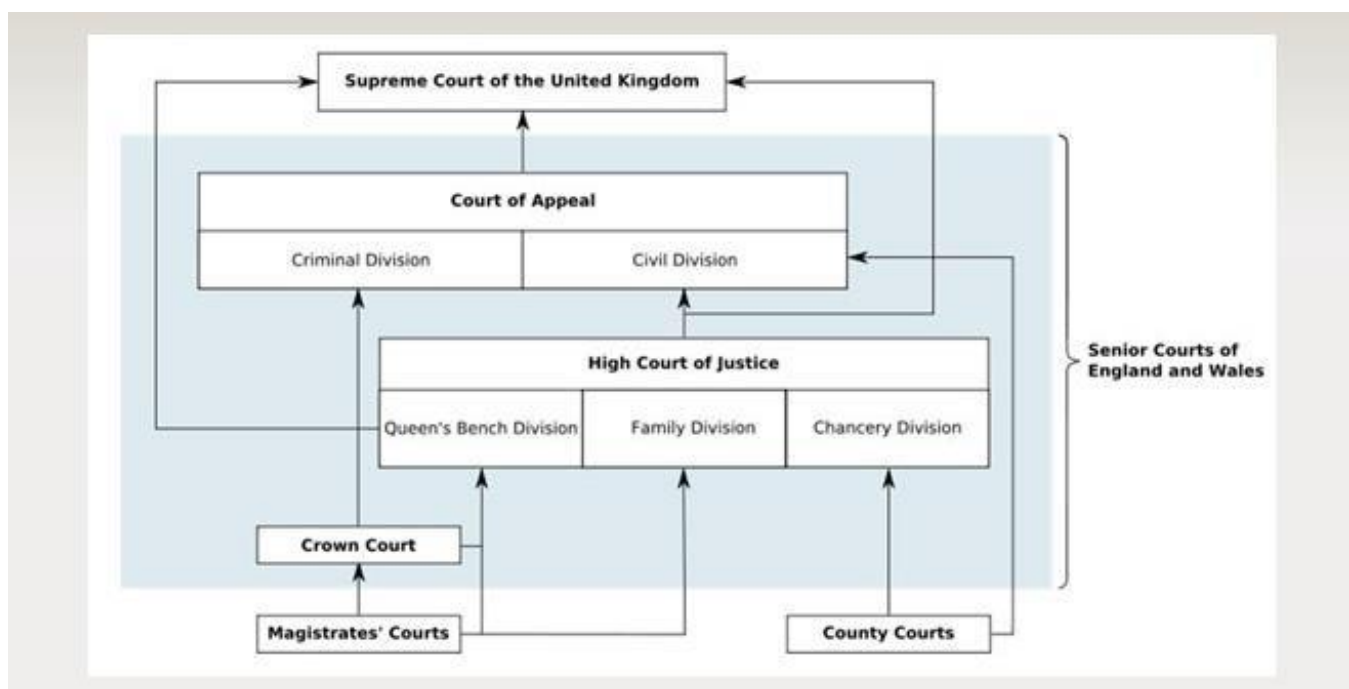
Two units are internally assessed: coursework

Two units are externally assessed: controlled assessments

Your SIL will focus on Unit 2 – Aspects of Criminal Law and the Legal System, which is an internally assessed coursework unit.

Part 1 – The Court Structure, Legal Professionals, Judges, and Lay People	Tasks 1-4
Part 2 – Criminal Terms Strongly Recommended	Tasks 5

Task 1 – Court Structure



Above is the court structure for England and Wales. Use these links to help you draw and annotate your own court structure:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/UKSupremeCourt>

<http://www.justcite.com/kb/editorial-policies/terms/uk-court-structure/>

Questions that you need to answer are - What does each court do? Which judge sits in each court? What type of cases do they hear?

Task 2 – Legal Profession

Solicitors - <https://www.lawsociety.org.uk/career-advice/becoming-a-solicitor/>

What do they do?	What qualifications do you need?	How much do they earn?

Barristers - <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/barrister>

What do they do?	What qualifications do you need?	How much do they earn?

Legal Executives - <https://www.totallylegal.com/article/legal-executive-job-description>

What do they do?	What qualifications do you need?	How much do they earn?

Task 3 – The Judiciary

<https://www.supremecourt.uk/about/the-supreme-court.html>






<https://www.judiciary.uk/about-the-judiciary/who-are-the-judiciary/judicial-roles/judges/coa-judges/>

<https://www.judiciary.uk/about-the-judiciary/who-are-the-judiciary/judicial-roles/judges/high-court-judges/>

<https://www.judiciary.uk/about-the-judiciary/who-are-the-judiciary/judicial-roles/judges/circuit-judge/>

<https://www.judiciary.uk/about-the-judiciary/who-are-the-judiciary/judicial-roles/judges/recorder/>

<https://www.judiciary.uk/about-the-judiciary/who-are-the-judiciary/judicial-roles/judges/district-judge-mags-ct/>

Judge	Court	Role
Justices of the Supreme Court 		
Lord Justices of Appeal 		
High Court Judges (Puisne judges) 		
Circuit Judges 		
Recorder 		
District Judge 		

Task 4 – Lay People

The term 'lay people' is used to describe ordinary, non-legally trained people who are involved in the legal system. In England and Wales there are two different types of lay people who work in the criminal justice system, these are Magistrates and Juries.

Magistrates

<https://www.judiciary.uk/you-and-the-judiciary/going-to-court/magistrates-court/>

<https://www.magistrates-association.org.uk/about-magistrates>

What do they do?	What qualifications do you need?	How much do they earn?

Juries

<https://www.lawteacher.net/free-law-essays/criminal-law/the-jury-system.php>

What do they do?	What qualifications do you need?	How much do they earn?

Task 5 - Research the following criminal terms and case examples

Area	Definition of term or Facts of case
Actus Reus	
Omission	
R v Gibbins & Proctor (1918)	
Mens Rea	
Direct Intention	
R v Adebolajo (2014)	
Oblique Intention	
R v Woollin (1999)	
Recklessness	
R v Cunningham (1982)	