



# LAW MERIT

1. Write a report of at least 350 words in which you define law. Describe State Laws, Federal Laws, and the role of the Judiciary with regards to the laws in Malaysia.
 

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2. Explain the Judicial System in Malaysia (Federal Court, Court of Appeal, High Court [High Court of Malaya, High Court of Sabah & Sarawak], Sessions Court and Magistrate Court) and their jurisdictions.
 

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3. Define the following terms from a biblical perspective.
  - (a) Law;
  - (b) The purpose of the Ten Commandments;
  - (c) Christ's words "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them" (Matthew 5:17)

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4. List the names of the Attorney General of Malaysia and duties of Attorney General in Malaysia-Article 145 Federal Constitution.
 

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5. Write a brief description of at least ten different areas or specialties of legal practice provided in the following list:-
  - (a) Antitrust
  - (b) Corporate
  - (c) Criminal Law
  - (d) Domestic Relations
  - (e) Estate Planning
  - (f) Immigration and Naturalization
  - (g) Insurance
  - (h) Intellectual Property
  - (i) International
  - (j) Labour Law
  - (k) Personal Injury
  - (l) Real Estate
  - (m) Tax
  - (n) General Business
  - (o) Native Customary Rights

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6. Attend a court session (Criminal or civil case) conducted in your community. Write a report of at least 250 words describing your observations of the court's procedure, the opening remarks, remarks of the case, the process of the hearing/trial, the closing statements of the prosecuting and defending lawyers and the result of the hearing/trial.
 

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7. Choose one of the law specialties from requirement 5 that most interests you. Schedule a thirty-minute interview appointment with a lawyer in that specialty. Be sure the lawyer understands the purpose of your visit prior to the actual appointment. Write a report summarising the lawyer's responses to the following suggested questions:
- What do you like best about your job?
  - How is the job rewarding? How is the job frustrating?
  - What is your responsibility to your clients?
  - Are you part of a law firm, a corporation, or do you work independently? Why did you choose this setting?
  - What is your normal caseload for a week? For a month?
  - How much time is spent in the courtroom (if applicable)?
  - If the lawyer is Christian, ask how being a Christian affects the job.
  - What are the educational requirements for your area of law specialty?
  - Ask any other questions that you may have written down prior to the visit. Keep the visit no longer than thirty minutes.
8. Define these legal terms:
- Defendant
  - Plaintiff
  - Acquittal Process
  - Writ of Habeas Corpus (Article 5(2) Federal Constitution)
  - Court of Appeal
  - Miranda warning
  - Liberty of the Person (Article 5 (1) of the Federal Constitution)
  - Double Jeopardy (Article 7(2) of the Federal Constitution)
  - Religion of the Federation (Article 3 of the Federal Constitution)
9. The jury system in Malaysia was abolished in 1995. Briefly explain how the jury system worked in Malaysia, and why it was abolished.
10. Write a report of at least 250 words about two famous trials in history. For each trial cite the case, the purpose of the case, its outcome and how it has established precedence for other cases.

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