



Welcome to A-Level Law (AQA Specification 2018 onwards)

If you are interested in how the law works, who works inside it and what you can get away with...then this is the subject for you. It also sets you up for studying Law at degree level, or pursuing a higher apprenticeship in Law. Please complete our transition task by your first lesson back in September.

Transition Task

**“To what extent did the legal system in England achieve justice for Stephen Lawrence?”
(50 marks)**

Mark criteria

You will be awarded marks for both your plan (20 marks) and the actual essay (30 marks).

Your plan should show your sources, quotes and general ideas for answering this question. You can present the plan in any way you like: a mind-map, table of ideas, visual collage etc...

Success criteria for essay;

- Identifying what the question means
- Drawing on different evidence sources to explain what happened to Stephen Lawrence
- Drawing on different views as to the way the legal system treated Stephen
- Reaching a well-informed conclusion

Enhancement marks available for A grade target students:

- Wide variety sources
- Legal terminology / reference to McPherson report
- Looking at the wider impact of the case including the impact on his family, and other similar cases

Potential Sources you could use

Stephen Lawrence: Time for Justice (2012) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZsHwKPE0mjU>

Stephen: The Murder that Changed a Nation <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b0b0br42>

Stephen Lawrence murder: A timeline of how the story unfolded <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-26465916>

Independent News Article <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/stephen-lawrence-murder-25-years-changed-a-nation-police-institutional-racism-macpherson-anniversary-a8307871.html>

Tonight with Trevor McDonald <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S0pNKnkHUVO>