

## RWBA Distance Learning Work:

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**Course:** A Level Law

**Objective:** To introduce you to the subject and the themes and topics we will be studying

**Activity:** Research

**Time to be allotted to this task:** 2 hours maximum

*NOTES: Work can be typed or handwritten, Name on the top.*

### **TASK:**

1. Using any newspaper article (most newspapers are available free of charge on the Internet) find an example of someone who has committed a crime.
  - (a) Outline the facts of the case and how the courts dealt with the crime.
  - (b) Do you think the person has been properly dealt with?
2. Research the case of Donoghue v Stevenson 1932
  - (a) Outline the facts of the case and how the courts dealt with this new situation.
  - (b) Do you think the court made the right decision in this case? Give reasons for your answer.
3. Criminal law is described as an offence against the state and even an offence against society as a whole.
  - (a) Criminal law changes with society – so something which might have been criminal in the past may no longer be criminal now and vice versa. Can you think of any examples?
  - (b) Are there any behaviours that you would criminalise or decriminalise? Give reasons for your answer.

### **DOCUMENTS/USEFUL LINKS TO HELP YOU:**

[www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk)  
[www.theguardian.com/uk](http://www.theguardian.com/uk)  
[www.independent.co.uk](http://www.independent.co.uk)  
[www.e-lawresources.co.uk](http://www.e-lawresources.co.uk)

### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:**

<https://www.parliament.uk/about/how/laws/>  
<https://www.magistrates-association.org.uk/About-Magistrates>

<https://www.judiciary.uk/you-and-the-judiciary/>

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/justice>

**END RESULT:**

You will have produced a summary of a newspaper article and the answers to questions 2 and 3.

**HAND IN DATE:** First lesson in the new term.