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Most young people considering studying law, or pursuing a career in the law, have very little idea of what is involved or how universities teach people to become lawyers. This new book provides a 'taste' for the study of law. It is a short, accessible presentation of the study of law as an academic subject, designed with invaluable advice to help pre-college level young adults and others decide whether law as an academic discipline is the right choice for them when entering the university level of study. The book will also counter the perception that law is a dry and boring subject, showing how the study of law can be fun, intellectually stimulating, challenging, and of direct relevance to them. In doing so, it introduces to prospective law students issues involving the legal system, including the structure of the courts and the legal profession, precedent, statutory interpretation, and comparative law. This is a book that any student about to embark on the study of law should read before they commence their legal studies. Each of the editors has been involved in advising prospective law students at admissions conferences.

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Mital says

Good for any student who is thinking about studying law in the future.

Ji says

Loved it! I'm about to take a law course, and this book shows me I've less to be dreading (memorization...sigh) and more to be excited about!

Alex says

This is a great book. Whilst it's aimed at anyone considering law as a course to study, it would also be a very useful for those needing to grasp some legal basics. I found it easy to read and strangely gripping. The book covers major areas of law by using cases as examples and tools to explain the law. Areas covered include criminal, land, contract, tort, equity, constitutional law and EU law. It's also surprisingly short at about 220 pages, not a huge text book which will take you ages. Overall a very useful book,mi would recommend it as a good starting place for anyone needing an introduction to law.

F says

Very engaging and informative. Confirmed that I want to study law at university.

Alan says

A very clear and concise introduction to the study of law. It was a bit on the short side and there is definitely a lot more to cover, but overall this is a well written and powerful book with great case studies. My biggest criticism is that *What About Law?* exclusively focuses on UK law. While this - in and of itself - is fine, there is no real warning in the title or on the jacket that mentions regional boundries. I would have liked to learn more about Civil Law rather than purely focusing on Common Law, but I definitely do not regret picking this up. A great guide.

Sydney Bender says

Definitely helpful in detailing the different realms of law and the general mindset of lawyers. The majority of the cases used are interesting, even the property law example. I also like the detail with which the UK law

system is explained; being American, I was nervous the book would assume some basic UK government/court knowledge, but it makes everything intelligible. For its purpose, this book deserves 4 or 5 stars.

Olivia says

Enlightening! From the splendid collaboration between Catherine Barnard, Janet O'Sullivan, and Graham Virgo is born 'What About Law?' and absolute must read for any prospective or current law student, as well as anybody interested in the workings of the English legal system. The book itself is divided into different chapters, each covering one of the seven core subjects that must be learnt to understand the law in its broadest scope. Cleverly utilising in each chapter an intelligent case study, the authors and other collaborating parties explain the law in real terms – with real-life applications and real-world consequences. This not only makes the whole notion of the law, which is usually thought of as abstract, much more tangible, but it also lives up (extremely true indeed) to my expectations and their argument: that the law isn't a dry, technical, and merely descriptive subject. That studying and practicing and reflecting upon law is both essential to our activity as citizens and it is also absolutely fascinating. With its folds upon folds and controversial statutes and judge-made precedents, the reader is engulfed by a world that engulfs us on a daily basis, whether it be you buying a book or the neighbor taken away as a terrorist suspect. It is a definite must-read and extremely enlightening. To any and everyone who wants to understand any and everything about what it means to live and be alive within the rule of law, I hands down recommend this book. Wow, just wow.

wenshuren says

I always find law fascinating and think that lawyer is intelligent bunch, good at articulation and speaks well. Law differentiates right and wrong. It is also the title of this book attracts me to own and read, and hoping one day I will have an opportunity to study law. Law has different faces depends on how lawyer interprets it in different situation and I specially like this "Studying law involves a lot of hard work, reading, understanding and learning difficult rules, and much of this will be the result of independent study."

Raz says

Fantastic book for prospective or current students. Overviews of key areas, real cases to think about, and engaging writing. Makes the law interesting and so relevant.

Sarah says

A very interesting introduction to the study of law. The authors quote an interesting landmark case for every law topic, which makes everything less boring and a lot easier to understand.

Alireza Ghazi-Torbati says

This book is well written, and I thoroughly enjoyed reading. It showed me different aspects of studying law which has inspired me to pursue it further. I would recommend this book to any prospective law student.

Imogen Kathleen says

This is by far the book that I recommend the most whenever somebody thinks that they might be interested in law, and the re-read was definitely worth it!
