**Preparing for Transition from Key Stage 4 to Key Stage 5**

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| **Subject** | **Qualification** |
| **Law** | **A Level** |
| **Recommended Reading Materials** | **Recommended Websites** |
| * A Level Law Specification (OCR) * OCR AS/A Level Law 1 * OCR A Level Law 2 | * [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk) - OCR * [www.bbc.co.uk/news](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news) - BBC News * [www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk)- UK Parliament * [www.judiciary.uk](http://www.judiciary.uk) - Courts and Tribunals Judiciary |
| **Preparation Tasks** | **Recommended Research** |
| * What are the differences between civil and criminal law? * How are laws made by Parliament? * Explain the work of solicitors and how you can become one * Explain the role of barristers and the traditional way of becoming one * Select one case from “You be the Judge”, summarise what happened and explain why you agree or disagree with the sentence given | * Use any search engine and create a one-page summary * Use [www.parliament.uk/about/how/laws/](http://www.parliament.uk/about/how/laws/) - UK Parliament * Use [www.lawsociety.org.uk/law-careers/becoming-a-solicitor/](http://www.lawsociety.org.uk/law-careers/becoming-a-solicitor/) - Law Society * Use [www.barcouncil.org.uk/becoming-a-barrister.html](http://www.barcouncil.org.uk/becoming-a-barrister.html) - The Bar Council * Use <http://ybtj.justice.gov.uk/> - You be the judge |
| **Recommended trips or visits this Summer** | |
| Visit your local Magistrates’ Court and ask to sit in the public gallery so that you can see cases. | |
| **Tasks to Complete** | |
| * Explain the differences between civil and criminal law * Outline how laws are made by Parliament, including why new laws are needed, what a draft bill is, and how a bill becomes a law * Explain the work of both solicitors and barristers and how you can qualify to become one * Select one case from “You be the Judge”, summarise what happened and explain why you agree or disagree with the sentence given | |