**21) Laws should be flexible enough to take account of various circumstances, times, and places.**

Write a response in which you discuss the extent to which you agree or disagree with the statement and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should consider ways in which the statement might or might not hold true and explain how these considerations shape your position.

1. 确实，从地区看，若在各个不同的地方都严格的使用同一法律标准，会导致不公正。如: 在中国的多文化国家，不同地区文化不同，例如，中国的东巴文化，使用象形文字，不 能强制要求使用中国语。从时间看，随着社会的发展进步，某些习 俗可能发生改变，有 些原来犯法的行为现在不犯法。如:古代中国，原来不许剪辫子 braid;有些过去合理的 行为现在不合理如:一夫多妻。各地经济发展情况不同，若偷同样币值的东西可能是不 同价值的，给予相同的惩罚也就不合理。Moral standards.

2. 法律应保持一定的连续性、稳定性以及可预测性。连续性能保持社会的稳定(stable)， 稳定性保证法律的威严(dignity)，可预见性使得人们知道如何行事而不会无所适从。a certain measure of consistency, stability and predictability in our laws is required in order for us to understand our legal obligations and rights as we go about our day-to-day business as a society.

3. 既要稳定性，连续性，也要 flexible。