OHIM (Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market) plays an important role as regards the development of European trademark law. Which of the following is a correct description as to what OHIM has as its principle task.

OHIM is an EU-institution that developed autonomous policies as regards European Trademark Law.

OHIM is the EU Institution that governs the system of community rights and registers community Trademarks (and Community Designs).

Well done! B is the correct answer.

OHIM acts as first instance as regards trademark infringements on the European level.

OHIM is a not-for profit non-governments organisation that encourages the development of Community wide Intellectual Property Rights.

A first question as regards trademark protection is to define what a trademark is, or to put it differently, what kind of signs that may be afforded protection. In the trademark directive there are a number of prerequisites that a sign must meet to be allowed protection. Which of the following is not a prerequisite for trademark protection? (May be more than one answer)

The signs must be able to represent graphically

Well done! Prerequisite for protection (So not an ans – it is a prereq for trademark protection)

The signs must be used in the course of trade

Well done! Correct answer! Not a prerequisite for protection

The sign must have distinctive character

Well done! Prerequisite for protection (So not an ans – it is a prereq for trademark protection)

The signs must be visible

Well done! Correct answer! Not a prerequisite for protection