



## MOHANLAL SUKHDIA UNIVERSITY, UDAIPUR

### FACULTY OF LAW

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PAPER -I (PAPER CODE - 6000)

(PAPER NAME - **LEGAL LANGUAGE INCLUDING GENERAL ENGLISH**)

#### **QUALIFYING PAPER**

Max. Marks: 100

Min. Marks: 36

**Note:** The marks of this paper will not be added in computing the percentage of the LL.B. Exam. However, this paper is compulsory and has to be qualified only with at least 36 marks out of 100.

#### **(A) VOCABULARY**

1. Use of Legal Phrases and terms (list of legal terms given below)
2. Pair of Words.
3. One word substitution.
4. Latin Maxims (Listed Below)

#### **(B) COMPREHENSIVE SKILLS**

1. Common Logical Fallacies
  - (a) Valid rules of syllogism.
  - (b) Syllogistic Fallacies.
2. Other type of material or verbal fallacies. Comprehension of legal tests: Reading Materials, The prescribed leading cases.

#### **(C) COMPOSITION SKILLS**

1. Use of cohesive devices (Legal Drafting).
2. Precise Writing.
3. Brief writing and drafting of reports; Letters and Applications.
4. Essay writing and topics of legal interest.
5. Varieties of sentence structure and verb patterns.
6. Translation (English to Hindi & Hindi to English)

#### **List of Legal Terms which are relevant for LL. B. Students**

Abet	Abstain	Accomplice
Act of God	Actionable	Accused
Adjournment	Adjudication	Admission
Affidavit	Amendment	Appeal
Acquittal	Article	Assent
Attested	Attornment	Averment
Bail	Bailment	Citation
Clause	Coercion	Code
Cognizable	Confession	Compromise
Consent	Conspiracy	Contempt
Contingent	Contraband	Conviction
Convention	Corporate	Custody
Damages	Decree	Defamation
Defence	Escheat	Estoppel
Eviction	Executive	Ex-parte
Finding	Floating Charge	Forma Pauperis
Franchise	Fraud	Frustration
Good Faith	Guardian	Habeas Corpus
Hearsay	Homicide	Hypothecation

Omitted

Illegal	Indemnity	Inheritance
Bench	Bill	Bill of attainer
Bill of Rights	Blockage	Bonafide
By Laws	Capital Punishment	Charge
Chattels	Justiciable	Legislation
Legitimacy	Liability	Liberty
Licence	Lieu	Liquidation
Maintenance	Malafide	Malfeasance
Minor	Misfeasance	Mortgage
Murder	Negligence	Negotiable
Instruments	Neutrality	Nonfeasance
Notification	Novation	Nuisance
Oath	Obscene	Offender
Order	Ordinance	Over-rule
De-facto	De Jure	Deposit
Detention	Discretion	Distress
Earnest Money	Enact	Enforceable
Equality	Partition	Perjury
Petition	Plaintiff	Pledge
Preamble	Pre-emption	Prescription
Presumption	Privilege	Privity
Prize	Process	Promissory Note
Proof	Proposal	Prosecution
Provision	Ratify	Receiver
Redemption	Reference	Regulation'
Remand	Remedy	Rent
Repeal	Res-judicata	Respondent
In Limine	Insanity	Institute
Insurance	Intestate	Issue
Judgement	Judicial	Jurisdiction
Justice	Restitution	Rule
Ruling	Schedule	Section
Settlement	Sovereignty	Specific Performance
Stamp Duty	Status Quo	Statute
Stay of Execution	Succession	Summons
Surety	Tenant	Testator
Testatrix	Title	Tort
Trade Mark	Treason	Treaty
Trespass	Trial	Tribunal
Trust	Ultra vires	Undue Influence
Usage	Valid	Verdict
Vested	Violate	Vis-major
Void	Voidable	Wager
Waiver	Warrant	Warranty
Will	Writ	Wrong

#### LIST OF LATIN MAXIMS

1) <i>Ab initio</i>	<i>From the beginning</i>
2) <i>Actiopersonalismoritur cum persona</i>	<i>A personal action dies with the person</i>
3) <i>Actus curiae neminemgravabit</i>	<i>An act of the Court will hurt no person</i>
4) <i>Actus non facit reum, nisi mens sit rea</i>	<i>An act does not make a man guilty, unless</i>

	<i>there be guilty intention</i>
5) <i>Actus reus</i>	<i>wrongful deed</i>
6) <i>Ad interim</i>	<i>in the meantime</i>
7) <i>Ad litem</i>	<i>for the suit</i>
8) <i>Ad valorem</i>	<i>according to the value</i>
9) <i>Alibi</i>	<i>Elsewhere</i>
10) <i>Amicus curiae</i>	<i>friend of the Court</i>
11) <i>Animus</i>	<i>an intent</i>
12) <i>Audi alteram partem</i>	<i>here the other side</i>
13) <i>Caveat emptor</i>	<i>buyer beware</i>
14) <i>consensus ad idem</i>	<i>meeting of the minds</i>
15) <i>Dammum sine injuria</i>	<i>damage without injury</i>
16) <i>De facto</i>	<i>in fact</i>
17) <i>De jure</i>	<i>in law, by right</i>
18) <i>De minimis non curat lex</i>	<i>The law cares not about very trifling matters</i>
19) <i>Decree nisi</i>	<i>a decree which takes effect after a specified period</i>
20) <i>Delegata potestas non potest delegari</i>	<i>no delegated powers can be further delegated</i>
21) <i>Doli incapax</i>	<i>incapable of crime</i>
22) <i>Donatio mortis causa</i>	<i>gift by a person on the death bed</i>
23) <i>Eiusdem generis</i>	<i>of the same kind or nature</i>
24) <i>Eminent domain</i>	<i>the right which a Government retains over the estates of individuals to resume them for public use</i>
25) <i>Ex officio</i>	<i>by virtue of offices</i>
26) <i>Ex parte</i>	<i>a proceeding by one party in the absence of the other</i>
27) <i>Ex post facto</i>	<i>with retrospective action or force</i>
28) <i>Factum valet</i>	<i>the fact which cannot be altered</i>
29) <i>fait accompli</i>	<i>a thing which is done or accomplished</i>
30) <i>ignorantia legis neminem excusat</i>	<i>ignorance of law is no excuse</i>
31) <i>In parimateria</i>	<i>in an analogous case or position</i>
32) <i>Interest reipublicae ut sit finis litium</i>	<i>in the interest of society as a whole, litigation must come to an end</i>
33) <i>Injuria sine damnum</i>	<i>injury without damage</i>
34) <i>Intra vires</i>	<i>within the power</i>
35) <i>Jus tertii</i>	<i>the right of a third party</i>
36) <i>Lis pendens</i>	<i>a pending suit</i>
37) <i>Mens rea</i>	<i>a guilty mind</i>
38) <i>Mesne profit</i>	<i>the profit received by a person on wrongful possession</i>
39) <i>Nemo dat qui non habet</i>	<i>no one can give a better title than he has</i>
40) <i>Nemo debet bis vexari pro eadem causa</i>	<i>no person should be twice vexed for the same offence</i>
41) <i>Nemo debet esse iudex in propria causa</i>	<i>no man shall be a judge in his own case</i>
42) <i>Nolle Prosequi</i>	<i>to be unwilling to prosecute</i>
43) <i>obiter dicta</i>	<i>a judge's expression of opinion uttered in court or in a written judgement, but not essential to the decision and therefore not</i>

	<i>legally binding as a precedent.</i>
44) <i>Omnis probandi</i>	<i>the burden of proof</i>
45) <i>Pacta sunt servanda</i>	<i>treaties shall be complied with</i>
46) <i>pendente lite</i>	<i>during litigation</i>
47) <i>per capita</i>	<i>counting heads or per person</i>
48) <i>per incuriam</i>	<i>through inadvertence or carelessness</i>
49) <i>Pro bono public</i>	<i>for the public good</i>
50) <i>Ratio decidendi</i>	<i>grounds for decision, principles of the case</i>
51) <i>Res gestae</i>	<i>connected facts forming the part of the same transaction</i>
52) <i>Res ipsa loquitur</i>	<i>the thing speaks for itself</i>
53) <i>Res judicata</i>	<i>a matter already adjudicated upon</i>
54) <i>Res nullius</i>	<i>an ownerless thing</i>
55) <i>Rule nisi</i>	<i>where the ruling of a court becomes final unless one or both parties show cause for it not to be</i>
56) <i>Status quo</i>	<i>existing position</i>
57) <i>Sub judice</i>	<i>in course of adjudication</i>
58) <i>Sui juris</i>	<i>of one's own right</i>
59) <i>Suo moto</i>	<i>on its own motion</i>
60) <i>ubi jus ibi remedium</i>	<i>where there is a right, there is a remedy</i>
61) <i>ultra vires</i>	<i>beyond the powers</i>
62) <i>Volenti non fit injuria</i>	<i>risk taken voluntarily is not actionable</i>

#### SUGGESTED READINGS :

1. Inshique Abidi : Law and Language
2. Venkataramia : Law Lexicon & Legal Maxims
3. Richard V. Wydict : Plain English for Lawyers
4. Glanvile William : Learning the law
5. Wren and Martin : English Grammer
6. Ganga Sahai Sharma : Fundamentals of legal writing
7. Hindi-English Legal Legal Glossory : Vidhi Sahitya Prakashan, Ministry of Law, Govt. of India , New Delhi (India)
8. David Green : Contemporary English Grammer - Structure and Composition

# Legal Language Including General English

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## Part 1

Book  
Ganga Sahai Sharma

1. Legal Words
2. Latin Maxims (Words)
3. Pair of words
4. One word substitution.
5. Sentence structure & verb patterns. eg. sub + verb + obj.  
Ram play cricket

## Part 2

6. Letter Keep editor in mind. eg. 1. Justice delayed is justice denied.
7. Essay Essay on judiciary (latest topic) eg. Evolution of Capital punishment.
8. Precise writing (very imp) Summary of a paragraph/text.
9. Translation Hindi ↔ English
10. Logical Fallacies → meaning mistake

## Legal Words (terms)

Tip

if you don't have any sentence in mind you can write like the meaning of <word> is <meaning>

Act of God/Nature : Things which are beyond human control.

Accused : The person charged with a crime.

Bench : Committee (A court to decide particular matter)

Bar : Barrister & advocates collectively doing the work.  
(in group)

Bar Council : A body of advocates. (एग्जेक्यूटिव बोर्ड)

Canon : Rule of Law.

Sentence : Punishment Kasab was sentenced to death.

Bail : Security given

OR

Temporary release from the jail on security given.  
Salman Khan released on bail.

Pair of words

Act & act

action

Bar & bar

Acquit : to set free.

Act : a law made by the competent

Article : a division of documents.

Amendment : any change made or proposed by adding or modification.

Affidavit : A written statement or a auth. before the magistrate.

Trial : A judicial examination in accordance with the law.

Appeal : A proceeding before a superior court for reversing or modifying.

Tribunal : A judicial assembly / authority.

Decree : A verdict (order) of the court.

Citation : Reference / Quotation

Bill : A draft of proposal Act submitted to the legislature for discussion.

Illegal : Unlawfully.

Illicit : Unlawfully.

Forfeit : to lose the right to आधिकार रक्षा देना

Libel : (False statement) A written document to defame a person.

Client : A person who seeks advice from a Advocate.

Statute : A written law of the legislature.  
(Rule of Law)

Solicitor : A person who is perfect in law.

confined : to keep with limit. ②

Defecto : In fact / as a matter of fact.

Intestate : without leaving a will.

Adjudge : to decide judicially. (वासियत)

Access : Approach (पहुँच)

Attested : to affirm to be true.

Attornment : to acknowledge that he holds a property  
on behalf of a new party.

Capital Punishment : Punishment to death.

Condone : to forgive

Crime : an offence

Con Covenant : an agreement by deed by one or more person.

De jure : According to law.

Eviction : Ejecto Ejection

Ex-parte : One sided

Writ A written command/order issued by a higher court directing the state authority to do or refrain from doing some act action.  
मना करना

Warrent : An order issued by some authority to make an arrest.

Certiorari : A kind of writ issued by the higher court to the subordinate court.

Code : A digest of Laws of the country.

Contiguous : Adjoining

Essay

Importance of  
judiciary of  
India / in society.

Custody : Safe keeping

Exhibit : Any document which ~~intervenes in~~ <sup>in the course of</sup> judicial  
Proceeding. / Any document produced at the time of judicial  
proceeding

Extinction : The complete winning out.

Franchise : The right of voting.

Habeas Corpus : A writ commanding the production of the  
body of the defendant to examine the  
validity of detention. (~~कठोर ग्रन्ती नहीं है~~)

House Trespass : To enter unlawfully in other premises / place.

Interlocutory Order : An order made ~~or not~~ at the time of  
judicial proceeding.

Judicial : According to the law.

Nullity Nullity : The <sup>state</sup> or fact of being legally null &  
void.

Offence : Crime

Penal Code : A code laying down penalties for various kinds of  
offences.

Injunction : An order by which a party to an action is  
<sub>(order)</sub> required to do or not to do a particular thing.

Judgement : A judicial decision.

Parole : A conditional release of a prisoner.

Perjury : Violation of a Law.

Petition : A formal application made to a court for ③ judicial action for something that lies in its jurisdiction.

Plaintiff : The party who bring suit to a court of law.  
the process instituted in the court of law.

Prosecution : The <sup>institution carried</sup> legal proceedings carried on against a person.

Receiver : One who has been appointed by the court on the disputed property.

Trespass : to act in unlawfull manner

Will : A formal declaration of the property to perform after his death.

## Pair of words ( Their meaning & use)

1. Bale → Package of goods.  
Bail → Security General words  
Legal word
2. act → to act, to perform, to do something.  
Act → The enactment of legislature.
3. Adopt → to take someone voluntary as his child.  
Adapt → to make suitable  
Adept → to be perfect, completely skilled.
4. Excess → Beyond limit  
Access → Approach.
5. Advice → Consel [ I took advice from an Advocate]  
Advise → to take thought of. [ Great man always advise to work hard]
6. Injunction → An order of the court  
Injection → To infuse medicine in body.
7. Cheque → An order to a bank to pay money.  
Check → to prevent
8. Principle → Rules [ our class is man of principle]  
Principal → Head of the institution
9. Statute → Law  
Statue → image ( I've a business of marbal statue)
10. <sup>Imp</sup> Persecute → Harass. (~~to hit & beat~~) [ The Indians were persecuted by Britishers]  
Prosecute → to sue a law. [ The govt. prosecute the criminal cases]
11. Sole → only Owner [ I'm only sole owner of my property]  
Soul → ~~Spot~~ Spirit [ my soul is very pure]

12. Cast → to put forth. (वाट सूना)

Caste → related to Jati (a social class)

13. Eligible → Qualified / suitable [Mr. Sharma is a Eligible Lawyer]

Ineligible → which we can't read. [The text is]

14. Canons → Law or rule [muslims have many Canons]

Canons → Big destructive item.

15. Corporal → Physical [corporal punishment is not allowed in schools]

Corporal → Materialistic [I'm habitual of corporal comfort]

16. Elicit → To draw out information. [I'm trying my best to Elicit information]

Illicit → Unlawful [the illicit sale of liquor is banned]<sup>secret</sup>

17 Dual → double [I hate person of dual policy]

Duel → Fight [There was duel b/w 2 person on some matter]

18. Bar → Bar councils

Bar → general meeting of bar ~~like~~ <sup>precision</sup> (my friend is behind the bar)

19. Human → belonging to the mankind.

Human → Merciful

20. Gaol → ~~The~~ Jail / <sup>precision</sup> (The robber was sent to Gaol)

Goal → Aim

21 Ordinance → The rule or order. (Canons)

Ordinance → Canons (Big destructive item)

22 Stationary → Motion less.

Stationery → Writing materials.

23 Symmetry → Harmony / Adjustment

Cemetery → Graveyard

24 Flour →

Flower →

25 Son →

Son →

- 26 insight → Capacity to see / look deep.
- incite → To instigate (to provoke).
- 27 session → Term / period / Duration
- Cession → Giving away (संतोष)
- 28 Corps → division of Army
- Corpse → Dead body
- 29 ~~Career~~ → Progress in life.
- Carrier → One who carries goods
- 30 Affect → influence of feelings.
- Effect → Result of the action.
- 31 Altar → Table for making sacrifices ~~/ block~~ / surrender.
- Alter → Modification
- 32 Temper → Disposition of mind (खाता)
- Temper → to make unauthorized changes.
- 33 Accident → Something that happens by-chance.
- Incident → event.
- 34 Judicial → Related to court.
- Judicious → Wise [you must be judicious while choosing subject]
- 35 Spacious → Having space / having left the space.
- Spacious → thought
- 36 Cite → Reference
- Site → Related to place
- 37 President → Chairman
- Precedent → Previous decision
- 38 ~~Descent~~ / Decent → Sincere well behaved
- Dissent → disagreement
- 39 Take → Story
- Tail → Back part of animal

40 Personnel → A body of persons engage in social service. (S)  
Personal → belonging to someone.

41. Contagious → which spread fast. [Cocaine is a contagious disease]  
Contiguous → Adjoining.

## Latin Maxim

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- 1) Caveat Emptor : Let the purchaser be aware.
- 2) Fait accompli : An established fact.
- 3) Sub judice : Under consideration of Judiciary / In course of trial.
- 4) Ultra vires : Beyond one's power. [Like act of god]
- 5) Nisi Prosequi : To be unwilling to prosecute.
- 6) Per diem : Per day
- 7) Per annum : Yearly
- 8) Per Capita : per head.
- 9) Ex post facto : Done afterwards.
- 10) Ad hoc : For a special purpose.
- 11) Fait Justicia : Let the justice be done
- 12) Malfide : In bad faith.
- 13) Bonafide : In good faith.
- 14) Ipso Facto : Actually
- 15) ab initio : from beginning
- 16) Pro-bono-public : for the public good.
- 17) Ad Libitum : To any extend.
- 18) Ad Valorem : Acc. to the value
- 19) Actio Personalis Mortui Cum Persona : A personal<sup>right of</sup> action dies with the person.
- 20) A Fortiori : From the stronger reason
- 21) Aliter : Otherwise
- 22) Animus : Intention / Hostility (अंतर्यामीता)

- 23) *Animus Possidendi*: The intention of possession. <sup>(6)</sup>  
24) *Animus Dominie*: The intention of Domination / ownership.  
25) *Arbitrium Est Iudicium*: An award is a judgement.  
26) *Contra*: Against  
27) *De nova*: A new / Fresh  
28) *Divide at Imperia*: Divide & rule.  
29) *In limine*: At the outside.  
30) *In Presentie*: At present  
31) *Decree Alibi*: Ablea by a person accused of an offence he was elsewhere.  
32) *Decree Nisi*: Decree which take effect after a specified period.  
33) ~~Onus Probandi~~ *Onus Probandi*: The burden of proof.  
34) *Prima facie*: On the first view  
35) *Mens Rea*: A guilty mind.  
36) *Ex-gratia*: as a favour  
37) *Actus rea*: wrongful act.  
38) *Sime quia non*: Essential (important)  
39) *Persona Grata*: an acceptable person  
40) *ad interim*: in the meantime  
41) *Factum Valat*: The fact which cannot be altered through  
42) *Ubi jus, ibi remedium*: Where there is a right, there is a remedy.  
it should not have been done.  
43) *Pacta sunt servanda*: contracts are to be kept.  
44) *Audi alteram partem*: listen to other side.  
45) *in toto*: completely  
46) *res ipsa loquitur*: The things (proof) speak for itself.