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LAW 442.EXAMINATION QUESTIONS FOR CRIMINOLOGY II  
TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours.

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any 5 questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1a. "Crime is a moral wrong" Discuss this statement. Use authorities to highlight the various definitions of crime, its components and elements.

1b. Explain in detail five factors that affect crime trends and the manner in which such trends.

2. Explain the term "Criminal Justice system". What are its aims and objectives in relation to the society?

2b. "The concept of plea bargaining in Nigeria as applied in recent times encourages corruption." Discuss this statement highlighting the following:

- i) The meaning of plea bargaining.
- ii) Its advantages and disadvantages in relation to the society at large.
- iii) Its application in Nigeria in the light of the recent case against the former bank CEO's who were sacked and whose banks were taken over.

3a. Criminal conduct is a product of social class/ class discrimination in the society. Discuss this assertion with respect to the influence of societal class on crime rate.

3b. State and briefly discuss the causes of three types of criminal behavior seen to be prevalent among youth.

4a. Briefly define with examples and/or formulas where necessary the following terms:

- i) Crime Index
- ii) Cost of crime

- iii) Incidence of crime
- iv) Dark figure of crime
- v) Status of an offence

4b. State the different types of crime statistics and briefly discuss their sources.

5a. Explain with relevant authorities the Neo-classical theory of crime.

5b. Briefly describe the following terminologies:

- i) The principle of utility
- ii) The Psychoanalytic theory of crime
- iii) Abraham Maslow's hierarchies of basic needs.

6a. Explain three elements of the Bond theory.

6b. Discuss briefly two variations of the labeling theory

6c. Explain the feminism theory.

7a. Identify and discuss four types of violent crime within the society and briefly discuss at least two causes of each of the said crimes.

7b. Analyse with authorities the effect of violent crime on the society.

8a. What is "Terrorism". Differentiate between terrorism and guerilla war fare.

8b. In the context of the Niger-Delta struggle, which resulted in armed conflict would you apply the term terrorists or freedom fighters to the perpetrators. Discuss YOUR point of view with reasons backed by authorities.

9a. Define and discuss in detail the term "white collar crime".

9b. Define and briefly describe the elements of the following terms:

- i) Cyber crime
- ii) Organised crime
- iii) Credit Fraud.

9c. The religious sect 'Boko Haram' has been described as a terrorist organization. Discuss your opinion of this statement, in the light of the definition of terrorism, using authorities to support your answer.