BRITISH COLUMBIA LAW STUDIES 12 (MLST-12) · UNIT D · 25 QUESTIONS

Rights, Freedoms and Contemporary Issues — Practice Test

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Reading I - A School Newspaper Article

Use this reading for questions 1 to 3.

A student newspaper at a fictional high school planned to print an article that criticized a new school rule about phones. The principal stopped the article from being printed, saying the criticism would cause disruption in the school.

The student editors argued that they had freedom of expression. The principal argued that the school could limit expression to keep order. A court would have to decide whether the limit was reasonable and justified.

1 **The central issue in Reading I, A School Newspaper Article, is whether the principal limit on student expression was reasonable and**



A justified

B popular

C secret

D permanent

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2 **According to Reading I, the student editors claimed freedom of**

A expression

B religion

C mobility

D association

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3 **According to Reading I, the principal argued that the limit was needed to keep**



A the article short

B order in the school

C the newspaper secret

D students out of school

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4 **Section 2 of the Charter protects fundamental freedoms, including freedom of conscience and religion, thought, belief, opinion, and**

A free housing

B free travel to any country at any time

C a guaranteed job

D expression

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5 **Section 1 of the Charter states that Charter rights are subject to reasonable limits that are demonstrably justified in a free and**



A democratic society

B secret society

C foreign court

D private company

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6 **The Oakes test is used by courts to decide whether a limit on a Charter right is**

- A approved by the police
- B older than the Charter
- C reasonable and demonstrably justified under section 1
- D popular with voters

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7 **Under the Oakes test, a limit must have a pressing and substantial objective and must be rationally connected to that objective and must impair the right as**

- A much as possible
- B little as possible
- C secretly as possible
- D quickly as possible

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8 **Section 3 of the Charter protects the democratic right of every citizen to**

A hold any public office without election

B vote in other countries

C avoid all elections

D vote in federal and provincial elections

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9 **Section 7 of the Charter protects the right to life, liberty, and security of the person, and the right not to be deprived of them except in accordance with principles of**

A fundamental justice

B popular opinion

C police practice

D school rules

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10 **Section 8 of the Charter protects everyone against unreasonable search or**

A trial

B taxation

C seizure

D arrest for any reason

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11 **Section 10 of the Charter gives a person who is arrested or detained the right to be told the reason promptly and to retain and instruct**

A a judge at once

B counsel without delay

C a journalist

D a family member only

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12 **Section 11 of the Charter includes the right of an accused person to be presumed innocent until proven guilty and to have a trial within a**

A secret hearing

B single day

C foreign court

D reasonable time

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13 **Section 15 of the Charter guarantees equality before and under the law and equal protection and benefit of the law without**



A discrimination

B any limit at all

C a trial

D citizenship

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14 **Section 23 of the Charter protects minority language education rights for citizens in the English and French linguistic minority of a**

- A school only
- B foreign country
- C province
- D town only

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15 **Section 24 of the Charter allows a person whose Charter rights have been infringed to apply to a court for a remedy that is appropriate and**

- A a new election
- B just in the circumstances
- C always a prison sentence
- D always money from the jury

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16 **Section 33, the notwithstanding clause, allows a government to declare that a law operates notwithstanding certain Charter sections for up to**

A twenty years

B fifty years

C one year

D five years

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17 **Human rights law in British Columbia is mainly found in the BC Human Rights Code, which prohibits discrimination in areas such as employment, housing, and**



A services available to the public

B criminal sentencing

C foreign affairs

D federal elections

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18 **A ground of discrimination protected in human rights law includes race, sex, disability, age, and**

A political party membership in all cases

B fashion choices

C religion

D wealth alone

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19 **The duty to accommodate in human rights law means an employer or service provider must adjust rules or practices for a person protected ground short of**

A hiring extra staff in every case

B undue hardship

C any cost at all

D changing the law

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20 **A human rights complaint in British Columbia is usually decided by the BC Human Rights Tribunal rather than by a**

A school principal

B police officer

C newspaper

D criminal court

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21 **The federal Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act sets rules for how private organizations handle personal information in commercial activity, including the need for**

A consent

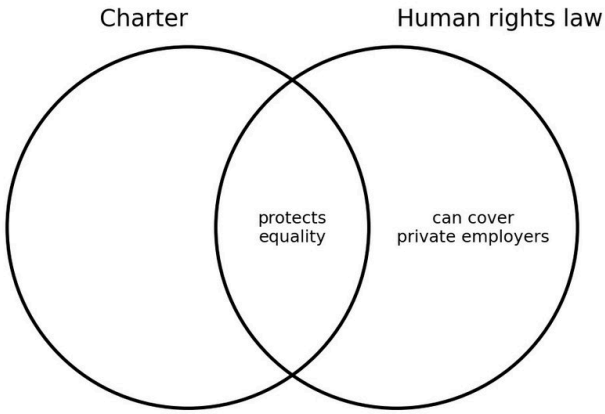
B a court order in every case

C payment to the person

D a police report

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22 **In the Venn diagram of the Charter and human rights law, the region labelled can cover private employers belongs to human rights law because the Charter mainly limits**



Question 22

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A) school rules only

B) foreign governments

C) government action

D) private contracts only

A school rules only

B foreign governments

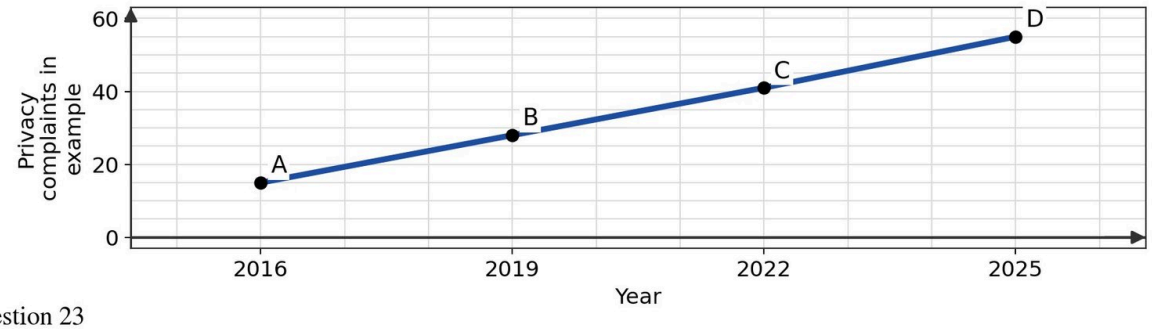
C government action

D private contracts only

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23 **The graph shows an illustrative example of privacy complaints. The overall trend from 2016 to 2025 was a**



Question 23

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A) fall

B) rise

C) flat line

D) fall then a return to the 2016 level

A fall

B rise

C flat line

D fall then a return to the 2016 level

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24 **Section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982 recognizes and affirms existing Aboriginal and treaty rights of the Aboriginal peoples of**



A the United States

B Britain

C France

D Canada

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25 **The duty to consult means the Crown must consult Indigenous peoples when a Crown decision may adversely affect their asserted or established Aboriginal or treaty**

A rights

B taxes

C passports

D school grades

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. A
3. B
4. D
5. A
6. C
7. B
8. D
9. A
10. C
11. B
12. D
13. A
14. C
15. B
16. D
17. A
18. C
19. B
20. D
21. A
22. C
23. B
24. D
25. A

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