

## Worksheet 3.2a How much do you know about the law?

1. Are the statements below true, or false? Tick the appropriate box in the table.

	TRUE	FALSE
'Rule of law' means that judges and MPs don't have to follow the same rules as us.		
'Innocent till proven guilty' only applies to citizens without a criminal record.		
Speaking English as an additional language and/or being rich should not mean that the law is applied differently.		
Adults only have the right to use the legal system if they have at least five GCSEs.		
Scotland and Wales have the same court system and laws.		
'Common law' is also known as 'case law' or 'precedent'.		
The main source of law in the UK is legislation (law passed by Parliament).		
The UK doesn't have to conform to EU law because it has a Queen.		

2. In your group, you will discuss each of the questions below. Your teacher will give you instructions.

<p><b>A.</b> Why is it so important that the UK uses laws to protect every citizen's rights and freedoms?</p>	<p><b>D.</b> Other than age and gender, how else are citizens living in the UK different from one another?</p>
<p><b>B.</b> What might happen in this country if the rule of law didn't exist here?</p>	<p><b>E.</b> Everyone in the UK is supposed to have access to justice. However, how might poverty, or mental illness, affect this?</p>
<p><b>C.</b> Everyone is (in theory) treated equally before the law.</p>	<p><b>F.</b> What are the benefits of laws having three different main sources (EU, common law and legislation), rather than just one?</p>