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Legal Method I, (Law 101)  
Questions

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Instructions: Answer any four Questions. Each question carries 20 marks.

Time Allowed: 3 hours.

- (1) Compare and contrast the following:
  - (a) The command theory and the pure theory of Law.
  - (b) Sociological School and Historical School.
  - (c) Natural Law and Command theory.
  - (d) Functional School and Realists
- (2) Notwithstanding the ineffectiveness of the penal technique in Nigeria, there seems to be no viable option to it in controlling deviant behaviours in the society.  
From your own observation what do you see as the main reason for the ineffectiveness of this technique? Highlight your recommended solutions.
- (3) Although Law can be classified in multi-various ways, certain classifications are more important and useful to Law students and lawyers.  
Highlight the importance of four of the classifications.
- (4) Discuss the various methods of reasoning usually adopted in the Legal Profession and the Limitation if any, of each method.
- (5) The life of Law has not been Logic but experience.  
Critically Discuss
- (6) Critically examine the adversarial and inquisitorial methods of fact finding. Which of them do you prefer?
- (7) Discuss the principles governing shift of facts and Law in any superior Court of record in Nigeria
- (8) Write comprehensive notes on the following:
  - (a) Per Incuriam
  - (b) Obiter dictum
  - (c) Distinguishing of cases
- (9) Suggest tips or aids to good legislative drafting with particular regards to legal diction.
- (10) Discuss the various general principles of interpretation adopted by the Court in Statutory Interpretation and assess their usefulness.

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