

Listening and note-taking task

Eng. legal system = common law system (CL).

Goes back approx. _____ (1) yrs - v. influential.

1066 = turning point - Norman Invasion (William of Normandy) "_____ (2)"

William king

Before _____ (3) - no. of legal systems based on local customs. After 1066 - power more centralized

_____ (4) ll appts. judges, so king = justice.

_____ (5) c. system -> today's system (CL, no written constitution).

Extract 2

CL based on case law - system of _____ (6)

Key principle: like cases decide = similar / comparable to.

e.g. sb steals cow: stolen cow case = stolen horse case (approx. same value)

Judge uses horse case for yr cow case - same (?) for person who stole it

i.e. 'system of precedent' - basis of all legal decisions - _____ (7)

Precedent - _____ (8), just, certain, reliable, etc. - long history.