

<i>To be filled in by the Jury. Please do not make any notes here!</i>					
CODE	I.	II.			TOTAL points
	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	
	Max 50	Max 15	Max 15	Max 20	Max 100

LAW

**11th Grade
Variant 1**

To be completed within 120 minutes
Maximum score – 100 points

I. Task 1. Write an essay on the topic proposed below. Your essay must contain nuanced answers to the questions posed to the statement. (maximum score – 50 points)

Read this fragment:

"Never, never, never, on cross-examination ask a witness a question you don't already know the answer to, was a tenet I absorbed with my baby-food. Do it, and you'll often get an answer you don't want, an answer that might wreck your case."

from "To Kill A Mockingbird" by Harper Lee

In your opinion, what did the character mean when she said this? Explain the meaning of this statement. The current legislation of the Russian Federation stipulates criminal liability for false testimony given by the witness or victim and no such liability for false testimony given by the culprit or suspect in a given case. How would you explain this? Provide 3 arguments for and against the opinion stated in the quote (please include 3 arguments either way).

An essay is a small piece of writing in a free format focused on a specific topic and showing the author's opinion and line of thought concerning the questions raised.

Requirements to essays:

- 1. Length - 300 to 500 words.**
- 2. Your text must include answers to all questions supported by relevant arguments.**
- 3. You can use the knowledge in the field of law, sociology, and social studies to argue your position. Mundane arguments, as well as examples bearing no relation to law and the legal side of the problem in question, will not be taken into consideration.**

Task 4. (*maximum score – 20 points*)

The Prosecutor's Office of the Stavropol Krai in Russia made a statement saying that secondary school students shouldn't be allowed to read books by Sergei Yesenin and Vladimir Nabokov since their works are "incompatible with the academic objectives" and contain "erotic and mystical references, elements of horror, and hooligan poetry".² Kurbangali Sharipov, the Senior Assistant to the Regional Prosecutor responsible for the oversight of law enforcement concerning minors and youth, said: "Children shouldn't be reading such books, it's way too early for them." According to him, works by Yesenin and Nabokov can have a negative effect on minors making them "afraid of the dark, ghosts, night terrors, and creating further problems in terms of communication between peers." "If you just take a look at reports, 9–12-year old kids can now commit a robbery. What do you think they have been reading?" - Sharipov added.

Name two constitutional grounds for introducing censorship in a legal state and use legal arguments to prove that Mr. Sharipov, working at the Prosecutor's Office, is wrong.

² RIA News. Stavropol Krai Wants School Students to Stop Reading Books by Sergei Yesenin and Vladimir Nabokov. November 20, 2013. URL (in Russian): <https://ria.ru/20131120/978440403.html>

