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First published in 1945, Glanville Williams: Learning the Law has been introducing students to the 'foundation' skills needed to study law effectively for more than sixty years. Presenting an overview of the English Legal System and covering the essential legal skills that students need to master if they want to succeed both in their legal studies and in their future careers, this is a must-have book for all new law students!

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Phillip Taylor says

OR HOW I LEARNT THE LAW...SUCCESSFULLY!

Do you remember what was described as that old chestnut, the ‘guide, philosopher and friend’ called ‘Learning the Law’ from the 1960s?

I do... and I am happy to say that the Cambridge Professor, ATH Smith, has produced the very best effort for a new edition after an absence of 20 years.

It is rightly described as essential reading for all potential lawyers, whether sixth-form students or graduates contemplating the study of law, or those considering career options. Whenever you are asked – what is the best book to start on if you want to know a bit about the English legal system? The answer will be “Glanville Williams: Learning the Law”.

Much of the original text survives but Professor Smith has given much needed emphasis to the new legal agenda of the early twenty-first century – gone are the old, archaic references – and in come new, thrusting European Union law provisions which will warm the heart of the most die-hard Eurosceptic.

I like chapter 14 the best – it is entitled ‘General Reading’. It gives the best bibliography available for the range of works on the market for those who love the subject of law as much as some of the writers quoted clearly did. To read ‘Learning the Law’ is an unforgettable experience. Thank you, Professor Smith, for bridging the gap after some twenty years.

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Chaundra says

Like almost every LLB student in England or Wales, I originally started this as preliminary reading for accelerated LLB at Birkbeck that I'll be starting in the Fall. Wow, there is good reason this book is on the prelim reading lists for nearly every LLB programme in the country. It covers just about every aspect of preparing for the law from an overview of the English Legal system, to the foundations of legal research, to best exam practices, to landing the ideal job. Extremely detailed with extensive further reading lists, I have a feeling this book is going to be getting quite the workout over the next couple of years!

BHARADWAJ says

GOOD

AmeliaaXavier says

read this whole book for my first term in college.. yes, I'm taking law here okay go ballistic hahaha this book provides all information for starters like me and it made me fall in love with law even more

Akshay Khubchandani says

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GHG;sd, g,nhpian . cmvbofugrmtjb fkjsdgf'qelr gNAKLDYTJWEMT

Fifi says

The first few chapters were about Law itself and they were really badly structured and unhelpful for a fresher as legal vocab was thrown around with no definitions to follow up, and sometimes two related terms were mentioned and only one was explained..... Later chapters about the learning of the law were better, I guess because they relied on the reader's common sense rather than erudition.

Devan Wanniarachchi says

a good source of knowledge
