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This corpus-based study examines the lexical field of theft in the Anglo-Saxon law-codes and documents containing reports of lawsuits (charters, writs, and some chapters of the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle). The individual Old English lexemes are analysed not only in terms of their meaning, collocation patterns, and Latin translations, but also, more unusually in a field-approach, with reference to their distribution over the various textual genres and the discourse strategies dominant in these. Although primarily linguistic in focus, a detailed description of the theft-offences and the wider context in which they occur should also be of interest to the historian.

This work combines a theoretical approach to legal translation with a practical exposition of how the relevant principles may be applied to the French legal system. The author also includes a discussion of what is meant by "legal language" and available techniques for translating legal terms. Legal English is a professional language. This means that a good command of ordinary English does not make a student automatically proficient in legal English. Many foreign law students on English language programmes experience problems when suddenly all their lectures, textbooks, discussions and written work have to be in English. A lack of familiarity with legal English can seriously impede their progress. And a command of legal English is not just a desirable academic skill. It has become an absolute 'must' for today's legal professionals working in internationally orientated law firms. This book is designed for law students who have followed their law studies in a language other than English. Textbooks on English law are too detailed for those who want to understand English legal terminology rather than English law itself. Legal dictionaries are useful but, as the words are ordered alphabetically, terms are treated in isolation. This book offers: \* vocabularies providing sets of legal terminology associated with the legal system, civil procedure, EU law, tort, contract law and company law; \* text putting the terms in the vocabulary into their legal context; \* case discussion questions in order to practice using the terminology; \* knowledge questions to ensure that the reader has understood the legal concepts. [Subject: Law, Legal Terminology]

This book is an integrated course in legal English with many opportunities to practise and hone the core skills of reading, listening, writing, and speaking the language of law. This book is ideal for those who need to use legal English in their professional environment. It is designed for law students as well as everyone who needs to use legal English vocabulary in their work. Its focus remains firmly on British and American legal language throughout. Essential legal terminology, as it relates to company and contract law, is explained in a concise and engaging way. Modern teaching tools facilitate learning and practical application of the authentic language of the law.

Offers a broad overview of the interaction between law and language and the way they influence each other. Contains papers from the 15th annual interdisciplinary colloquium held in the Law School of UCL in July 2011.

Seminar paper from the year 2012 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Other, grade: 2,3, Ruhr-University of Bochum (Englisches Seminar), language: English, abstract: This paper deals with a specific English language - the legal language. I will focus on a particular aspect of this field - the characteristics of the structure of legal English. Therefore I will give an overview of the central structural features which are typical for legal language. Legal professionals strive for a precise explanation of facts. This aim forces them to use a certain kind of language patterns; including a high amount of definitions in legal texts, as well as numerous complex and ancient phrases deriving from Law French and plentiful enumerations which can all together form a single sentence covering several lines. Considering these special language patterns, the field of law, especially the legal language, becomes completely unapproachable for laymen, as it is almost impossible for them to follow legal discourse or understand legal contracts as well as laws and provisions. Even well-educated native speakers often find it hard to understand the language used in court. But the access to one's rights and duties is important in a community, so I decided to emphasize

the differences between legal language and colloquial language and to show which structural features are characteristic for legal language. At first I will provide the reader with an overall definition of English as a special language, before I will have a closer look at legal English as a special language - the main topic of this essay. To show the structural features of legal language I will concentrate on three main characteristics in the structure of legal language - in my opinion the three most important ones, even though there are other important attributes as well. In a last step I will point out how these legal structures are used in real life. Therefore I will analyze a contract as well as a legisl

Manual dirigido a profesionales y estudiantes universitarios con un nivel intermedio de conocimientos de la lengua inglesa e interesados en el inglés jurídico. Contiene una amplia variedad de textos y ejercicios prácticos y numerosos elementos lingüísticos relacionados con el ámbito del Derecho además de un práctico glosario de términos legales más frecuentemente utilizados y la resolución de todos los ejercicios planteados.

Students can become familiar with legal syntax and legal vocabulary in this introduction to basic legal information and the U.S. legal system.

The recent internationalization and globalization make it inevitable to communicate successfully on a global level. English is one of the most frequently used languages for this specific purpose. Being able to properly communicate in English is a major selection criterion, especially for young professionals lacking practical experience. Legal English plays a major role for communication and practicing in law firms globally. Offices involved in international jurisdictions are reliant on this language and its use affects the outcome of processes, lawsuits and even success rates. This publication examines the role of English Legalese in the legal context for law firms not only residing in an Anglophone area. In order to debate this essential question, the author explains the historical background and the differences between Standard English and English Legalese. The publication gives relevant reasons why applying this language is a very efficient process, yet the downsides of using a very specific language need to be considered. Management should be very aware of the importance and impact this language can have on the overall prosperity of a company. In this book: - Business English; - lawyer; - young professionals; - coaching; - organizational psychology; - adult education

This book tells what the language of the law is, how it got that way and how it works out in the practice. The emphasis is more historical than philosophical, more practical than pedantic.

Since legal language can neither be taught nor understood without context, English for Lawyers and Law Students essentially serves two purposes: It provides an insight into selected issues of the US legal system and in doing so acquaints the reader with (primarily American) English legal terminology and a variety of law concepts. The book's contents are selective rather than comprehensive because the focus lies on legal vocabulary rather than knowledge building. Thus, each chapter is followed by a list of related legal terms and concepts, whereby a wide range of legal terminology is defined and explained in English and not forced into a German corset. Among other issues, the book offers a valuable insight into the US trial and jury system, US legal education, the legal profession and various legal (civil and criminal) proceedings. It is a suitable reference book for law students as well as legal professionals and anyBartzone interested in US law and English legal terminology. The author's main goal is to promote and ease the reader's understanding of legal terms by contextualizing them, which should enable the legally trained eye to realize the small but subtle differences between the (American) English and related German terms. In addition, the book includes a great number of legal terms and their respective translation into German.

This book examines legal language as a language for special purposes, evaluating the functions and characteristics of legal language and the terminology of law. Using examples drawn from major and lesser legal languages, it examines the major legal languages themselves, beginning with

Latin through German, French, Spanish and English. This second edition has been fully revised, updated and enlarged. A new chapter on legal Spanish takes into account the increasing importance of the language, and a new section explores the use (in legal circles) of the two variants of the Norwegian language. All chapters have been thoroughly updated and include more detailed footnote referencing. The work will be a valuable resource for students, researchers, and practitioners in the areas of legal history and theory, comparative law, semiotics, and linguistics. It will also be of interest to legal translators and terminologists.

An essential handbook for international lawyers and students Focusing on vocabulary, Essential Legal English in Context introduces the US legal system and its terminology. Designed especially for foreign-trained lawyers and students whose first language is not English, the book is a must-read for those who want to expand their US legal vocabulary and basic understanding of US government. Ross uses a unique approach by selecting legal terms that arise solely within the context of the levels and branches of US government, including terminology related to current political issues such as partisanship. Inspired by her students' questions over her years of teaching, she includes a vast collection of legal vocabulary, concepts, idioms, and phrasal verbs and unpacks concepts embedded in US case law, such as how the US constitutional separation of powers may affect a court's interpretation of the law. The handbook differentiates basic terms in civil and criminal cases and compares terms that may seem similar because of close spellings but in fact have different meanings. For instance, what is the distinction between "taking the stand" and "taking a stand?" What is the difference between "treaties" and "treatises"? Featuring illustrations and hands-on exercises, Essential Legal English in Context is a valuable self-study resource for those who want to improve their legal English terminology before entering a US law school, studying US law or government, or working as a seconded attorney to a US law firm. Instructors can use the handbook in an introductory US legal English course.

Legal English effectively communicates to students the nuances of legal language in the United States. Professors Brostoff and Sinsheimer of the University of Pittsburgh School of Law unravel the legal system and study of law by using legal English in actual problems and exercises. This book acquaints readers with the two most important skills-legal research and writing-and approaches each problem and exercise from a different legal subject area. By discussing problem-solving techniques in a wide variety of topics, this workbook successfully increases student levels in reading and understanding legal documents. The new edition features revised and updated exercises, including: new internet research skills exercises, new writing and language exercises, and an expanded appellate advocacy section.

An interesting examination of law as language use or discourse, this study looks at the transformation of ordinary language into a special discourse for the purposes of the legal system. It is widely accepted that legal discourse is obscure, and often the public resent the fact that access to the law of the land is obstructed by the opaqueness of legal language. This book argues that the development and maintenance of law's special language can be justified. The myth that law can be written in either plain' or ordinary' language is exploded, and the linguistic obscurity of law is traced to its necessary complexity. The notion of representation is applied to the relation that exists between legal language and ordinary language.

"[This book is written for students and practitioners alike wishing to learn about English law and the particular features of the common law. The fully up-dated edition provides an introduction to the key areas of English law covering the common law, sources of law, the court system, trial system, legal personnel, pre-trial civil procedure, constitutional law, equity and trusts, contract law, the law of tort, commercial law, company law and European Union law...Essential vocabulary is highlighted throughout and each chapter contains a section on legal terminology to assist the reader in developing their legal English."--

"English as a Legal Language is a lawyer's plain language guide to English legal terminology. Anyone who finds it difficult to express legal terms in English simply looks under the general heading to find the relevant terms and their usage. This book can also be used to find explanations of words from a translating dictionary. Further, it is structured as a thesaurus, organized according to topic with an alphabetical index. More and more, lawyers need the English language. But attempts to convert the language to meet one's own purpose often result in misconceptions. English legal language has its roots in the Anglo-American legal tradition and the non-native speaking lawyer may have difficulty understanding a word choice in English without also seeing how it fits into legal thinking and relates to other words in the subject area as a whole. "English as a Legal Language offers a comparative lexicon of US and UK legal systems, with references to European legal systems. Special features of this work include: - The vocabulary of an entire area of law in each section; - A verb section which provides guidance on substantives, adjectives, adverbs, phrases, usage, as well as sample sentences and clues about typical mistakes; and - An index which gives an alphabetical rendition of the topically ordered definitions - essential for words that have multiple definitions. All lawyers working in English, and especially continental European lawyers, will find this book indispensable in their practices. The book is also of prime interest to business people, accountants, translators, legal secretaries and students. It will enable all practitioners and academics to express complex ideas in English, to understand the intricacies of English as a legal language, and to avoid the potential mishaps, when language barriers prevent a true meeting of minds. A high level of English remains essential for any lawyer wishing to work internationally, but transferring language skills from the classroom to the workplace can be challenging. This book shows non-native, English speaking lawyers how to apply their English language skills to everyday legal situations and contexts, providing essential guidance to ensure they can work confidently in different settings and mediums. Including activities based on real-life scenarios, the book will allow lawyers and law students to practise their English in key areas of working life, from networking and client meetings, to telephone and conference calls, contract drafting and contract negotiations, presentations and using social media. Written by two highly experienced legal English language tutors, both former legal professionals, it also features online support material that includes listening exercises to complement those based on writing and reading comprehension. Designed to hone skills required in working life, Practical English Language Skills for Lawyers is practical, accessible and fun. Including guidance on job applications and interview practice, this book is an invaluable resource not only for current legal professionals but also for those students considering their first career step.

International legal practitioners, LLM candidates, law students, and other legal professionals in countries all over the world must increasingly use the English language every day in their legal work, even when English is not their native language. The Legal English Manual gives global practitioners a one-stop source for technical legal language and commonly used phrases in 14 legal practice areas. It is not a textbook, it is a handbook. Prepared by experienced and native English-speaking lawyers for an audience of lawyers, prospective practitioners, and other legal professionals, the book provides professional legal English, including both U.S. and U.K. terminology, practice-oriented examples, and sample documents for use in daily practice. English has become the lingua franca of international commerce, science, computing, and law. Even non-Anglo-American companies often choose English for international negotiations and agreements. For better or for worse, the use of English in international commerce and international law is inescapable. The ability to use legal English competently and confidently has, thus, become a requirement for lawyers working in an international environment. The Legal English Manual includes: Practical charts featuring common professional terminology for both the U.S. and the U.K., and practice-oriented examples of usage across 14 practice areas. Detailed overview, explanations, and tips for drafting contracts in English. Practical examples of legal documents, appropriate expressions for practical situations, and customizable templates with explanations, as well as tips for legal writing, including e-mails, client correspondence, and legal memoranda. Checklists for client presentations, consultations, contract negotiations, interviews, and more. The Legal English Manual comes from Lawbility, an experienced professional language training provider. Its team of international legal experts and practitioners, linguists, and legal English coaches has structured the book to provide a legal focus (detailed overview of legal terminology), a language focus (examples of professional usage), and a practical focus (common situations arising in legal practice). The Legal English Manual will aid lawyers everywhere to practice law confidently in English.

In this volume the author examines verbal constructions in prescriptive legal texts written in English. Modal auxiliaries such as shall, may and must are analysed, as well as indicative tenses such as the present simple, and also non-finite constructions such as the -ing form and -ed participles. Results are based on specially compiled corpora of prescriptive texts coming from a wide range of English-speaking countries and also international organizations such as the European Union and the UN. The author also analyses the nature, extent and impact of the calls for change in legal language coming from the Plain Language Movement. Although legal language tends to be depicted as being highly conservative and unchanging, the author shows that in certain parts of the English-speaking world a minor revolution would appear to be taking place, while in other parts there is greater resistance to change.

Bachelor Thesis from the year 2018 in the subject Psychology - Work, Business, Organisational and Economic Psychology, grade: 1,3, University of Applied Management, language: English, abstract: Legal English plays a major role for communication and practicing in law firms globally. Offices involved in international jurisdictions are reliant on this language and its use affects the outcome of processes, lawsuits and even success rates. Several studies confirm that English as the lingua franca is a major influencing factor in determining employment and even wage for the concerned person. Quite a lot references concerning this special language serve the purpose of supporting law students in their classes. It is noticeable that most of those resources are designated to academic purposes only. The importance of English Legalese needs to be further analyzed and emphasized. For practicing lawyers and attorneys, it may be fundamental to be aware of the impact of correct language use and this also applies to foreign speakers as well. This thesis examines the role of English Legalese in the legal context for law firms not only residing in an Anglophone area. In order to debate this essential question, a definition of its peculiar features, a historical background and the demonstration of the differences between Standard English and this specific language represent the needed requirements to analyze the role of English Legalese in detail. As already stated, nowadays English is a frequently used language for legal purposes and there have to be certain reasons why it has gained this big recognition. The thesis gives some relevant reasons why applying this language is a very efficient process, yet the downsides of using a very specific language need to be considered. Therefore, the subsequent part of this thesis discusses why it might not be ideal to solely apply English as the preliminary language, or even having one dominant language in general. This analysis can be seen as a prerequisite for conducting the methodical part of the thesis. It analyzes the importance of legal English for international active lawyers from several countries around the world. Therefore, relevant data will be assembled, analyzed and interpreted. The results will help to determine the importance of Legal English for international Law firms and for practicing lawyers today.

Knowledge of legal language and the ability to use it effectively are essential requirements for students who have chosen to study law. A comprehensive course in English specially prepared for undergraduate students of law, this book aims to train students in both these aspects.

In common law jurisdictions, litigants are free to choose whether to procure legal representation or litigate in person. There is no formal requirement that civil litigants obtain legal representation, and the court has no power to impose it on them, regardless of whether the litigant has the financial means to hire a lawyer or is capable of conducting litigation effectively. Self-representation is considered indispensable even in circumstances of extreme abuse of process, such as in 'vexatious litigation'. Intriguingly, although self-representation is regarded as sacrosanct in common law jurisdictions, most civil law systems take a diametrically opposite view and impose obligations of legal representation as a condition for conducting civil litigation, except in low-value claims courts or specific tribunals. This disparity presents a conundrum in comparative law: an unfettered freedom to proceed in person is afforded in those legal systems that are more reliant on the litigants' professional skills and whose rules of procedure and evidence are more formal, complex, and adversarial, whereas legal representation tends to be made obligatory in systems that are judge-based and offer more flexible and informal procedures, which would seem, intuitively, to be more conducive to self-representation. In *Injustice in Person: The Right to Self Representation*, Rabeea Assy assesses the theoretical value of self-representation, and challenges the conventional wisdom that this should be a fundamental right. With a fresh perspective, Assy develops a novel justification for mandatory legal representation, exploring a number of issues such as the requirements placed by the liberal commitment to personal autonomy on the civil justice system; the utility of plain English projects and the extent to which they render the law accessible to lay people; and the idea that a

high degree of litigant control over the proceedings enhances litigants' subjective perceptions of procedural fairness. On a practical level, the book discusses the question of mandatory representation against the case law of English and American courts and also that of the European Court of Human Rights, the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, and the Human Rights Committee.

This book explains English legal terminology and concepts for law students who have followed their law studies in a language other than English.

This history of legal language slices through the polysyllabic thicket of legalese. The text shows to what extent legalese is simply a product of its past and demonstrates that arcane vocabulary is not an inevitable feature of our legal system.

Seminar paper from the year 2004 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Linguistics, grade: 1-, University of Dusseldorf "Heinrich Heine" (Anglistisches Institut), course: Domain Specific English Language - Language and Law, 5 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: The English language has taken over the key role in international trade, legislation and policy-making. It has achieved "the enhanced status ...] as the dominant world language which] has led to an increased demand for the training of competent specialists able to mediate" (Alcaraz Varo/Hughes, 2002: 1). This goes along with a "phenomenal increase in the teaching of ...] 'English for special (or specific purposes)' " (ibid.: 2). What is the reason for this development? This piece of work might give an answer; it dedicates itself to domain specific English language: language and law. It concentrates on the characteristics of the structure of legal English in particular. An overview of the central structural features is given, without claiming completeness. Legal professionals aim at a precise explanation of facts which should leave no doubts. This aim forces them to use a certain kind of language pattern, such as including a high amount of definitions in legal texts, along with numerous complex and ancient phrases deriving from Law French and plentiful enumerations which can all together form a single sentence covering several lines. Dependent on which party they represent, lawyers make frequent use of features that reduce the agent in his identity while emphasizing the action - a matter of strategy which has the impeding of comprehension as a consequence. Therefore, the field of law becomes completely unapproachable for laymen, who are scarcely able to follow legal discourse. Even well-educated native speakers often find it hard to understand the language used in court. However, the access to one's rights is important. To begin with, the reader will be provided with an 'Legal English' will enable students to confidently write on and discuss legal topics as well as conduct legal work - such as drafting legal documentation, negotiating, litigating, advising, presenting, writing and acting as an advocate.

This book provides a state-of-the-art account of past and current research in the interface between linguistics and law. It outlines the range of legal areas in which linguistics plays an increasing role and describes the tools and approaches used by linguists and lawyers in this vibrant new field. Through a combination of overview chapters, case studies, and theoretical descriptions, the volume addresses areas such as the history and structure of legal languages, its meaning and interpretation, multilingualism and language rights, courtroom discourse, forensic identification, intellectual property and linguistics, and legal translation and interpretation. Encyclopedic in scope, the handbook includes chapters written by experts from every continent who are familiar with linguistic issues that arise in diverse legal systems, including both civil and common law jurisdictions, mixed systems like that of China, and the emerging law of the European Union.

ENGLISH FOR LAW STUDENTS is a part of the university course of legal English for academic purposes. It is addressed to law students of noncommon law countries. It is aimed at teaching students to understand the language of English law, its fundamental concepts and institutions. Its goal is to enable students to deal with different types of legal texts, to become knowledgeable in current legal issues, to use proper English legal terms with regard to their own legal systems. The final objective is to stimulate students' interest in law and language. Although English for Law Students is designed as a part of the university course of legal English it can also be useful for students of the humanities, economics, social and political sciences, etc. in their self-study of English law and language.

This book looks at the forces that have made traditional legal language what it is today and suggests some reasons why the law needs plain English. It also shows why most of its peculiarities are unnecessary.