

JUDICIAL PRECEDENT REVISION WORKSHEET

1. Complete the following table:

Latin Term and Translation	Example(s)
Stare decisis means ...	Give a brief outline of the court hierarchy ... Give an example of a precedent being followed ...
Ratio decidendi means ...	Case example(s) ...

Obiter dicta means ...	Case example(s) ...
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2. Quick quiz on law reports:

(a) What happened between 1535 and 1865?

(b) What was set up in 1865?

(c) Where else can law reports be found?

3. Match the following methods of avoiding precedent with the correct court:

Court	Method	Brief Explanation of Method
(1) House of Lords	(a) <i>Young v Bristol Aeroplane</i>	
(2) Court of Appeal	(b) Practice Statement	

(3) Any appellate court	(c) Distinguishing	
(4) Any judge or court	(d) Over-ruling and reversing	

4. List the advantages and disadvantages of Judicial Precedent:

Advantages	Disadvantages