M05 LEARNING OUTCOME 2

4 QUESTIONS

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Understand the principles of the law of torts and the characteristics of the main torts

NATURE OF TORT LAW

- Civil
- To provide compensation to a harmed victim by a tortious act of a defendant

LIMITATIONS

- 1 year defamation
- 3 years for personal injury claims
- 6 years for other torts

DEFENCES

- Self defence
- Necessity
- Statutory authority
- Consent and volenti non fit injuria
- Contributory negligence

REMEDIES

- Damages
- Injunctions

LAW OF NEGLIGENCE AND THE OTHER MAIN TORTS

- Trespass
  - Person
  - Goods
  - Land
- Negligent misstatement
- Economic (financial) loss
- Psychiatric illness
  - Primary victim
  - Secondary victim
- Nuisance
  - Public
  - Private
- Rylands v. Fletcher
- Defamation
  - Libel
  - Slander

APPLICATION OF TORT LAW

- Employers' Liability
- Occupiers' liability
- Product liability