

Unit 1 – Introduction into legal English

1. Law is the system of rules within a particular country, area or community, recognized as binding and enforced by an authority.
2. The Law provides that the defendant, who is a businessman, has to write the answer to the complaint.
3. Law prohibits drivers from using mobile phone while driving.
4. construction law
public procurement law
5. Legal:
 - a) related to the law or
 - b) allowed by the law (lawful),
opposite: illegal, unlawful
6. Many people are unable to afford legal advice.
7. It is still illegal to possess marijuana in Poland.
8. legal English in practice of Polish lawyers is the language invented in the countries of common law system used to describe Polish legal institutions.
9. Art. 33 of the Polish civil code:

The State Treasury and the organizational entities in which specific provisions vest legal personality shall be legal persons – translated by Wolters Kluwer

Legal persons shall be the State Treasury and those organizational entities upon which special provisions of law confer legal personality– translated by CH Beck.

10. Art. 12 of the Polish civil code:

Persons who have not attained thirteen years of age and persons completely incapacitated shall not possess the capacity for acts in law – translated by CH BECK.

Persons who have not attained thirteen years of age and persons completely incapacitated shall not have the capacity for juridical acts – translated by Wolters Kluwer.

11. Lawyer - a person qualified to practice law - provide legal advice including representing us in court independently (without supervision of other more qualified lawyers)
12. Of course, many, but my favorite is: A: When is the lawyer lying?
B: When his lips are moving.