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Vocabulary

rights of succession child benefit welfare payments a lump sum of cash parental consent a legal guardian probate testator and dependants to die intestate partial intestacy decree of nullification defective marriage fraudulent representation to lack mental capacity children conceived in wedlock community property separate property bequeathed to a wife irretrievable breakdown of marriage the presumption is rebutted to domicile in the country raised from the taxes terms of divorce

retirement pension
to grant citizenship
divorce proceedings
to petition for divorce
petitioner and respondent
to have custody of the children
financial provisions/arrangements
to grant a divorce
to make a will
inheritance tax
to contract a marriage
a marriage is breaking down
illegitimate children

Definitions

consummation of marriage incestuous marriage nullification of marriage laws of succession partial intestacy

Ouestions

- 1 Describe four disadvantages of illegitimate children in the U.K.
- 2 Describe the grounds on which a marriage may be nullified.
- 3 Describe the grounds on which a marriage may be divorced.
- 4 Describe what is required for a will to be valid.