

## **Chapter 8: Guidance on answering the self-test questions**

### **Question 1: What is 'jurisdiction'?**

Jurisdiction describes the court's ability to hear a case and is connected with a person's domicile or habitual residence.

### **Question 2: List the ways in which a court in England and Wales may have jurisdiction in a divorce case.**

A court in England and Wales may have jurisdiction to hear a divorce through habitual residence or domicile.

### **Question 3: What are the two requirements that must be established for a person to have a domicile of choice?**

In order to have domicile of choice, a person must show that they reside in the country of potential domicile and also show that they intend to remain there. This intention can be inferred from evidence of a settled life, e.g. a job, bank accounts etc.

### **Question 4: Where are you domiciled?**

That depends! Think about both concepts discussed in this chapter: habitual residence and domicile separately. Where are you habitually resident? Is this different from your domicile?