Assignment

Topic: Probative Value of Evidence in English Jurisprudence

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Introduction:

Evidence is used in court to prove facts. Not all evidence is equally strong.

Probative value means how much a piece of evidence helps in proving something.

Meaning:

Probative value means the ability of evidence to prove a fact.

Strong evidence has high probative value.

Importance:

Courts check if evidence is relevant, reliable, and believable before accepting it.

Factors:

1. Relevance – Must relate to the case

2. Reliability – Must be trustworthy

3. Credibility – Witness should be honest

4. Direct evidence is stronger than indirect

5. Corroboration increases strength

Probative vs Prejudice:

Sometimes evidence is rejected if it creates unfair bias.

Examples:

High: CCTV footage

Low: Rumors

Conclusion:

Probative value helps courts make fair decisions based on strong evidence.