

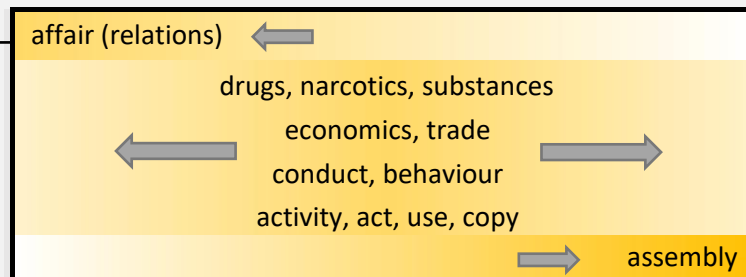
# SEMANTIC MAP NO.2

	ILLICIT	ILLEGAL	UNLAWFUL
<b>FEATURES</b>	Latin "not licensed/allowed"	Anglo-Norman French "not lawful"	Old English extends to justice & custom
Against Codified Laws	Light Yellow	Dark Yellow	Light Yellow
Unauthorized, Irregular	Yellow	Light Yellow	Dark Yellow
Wrongful, Immoral, Improper	Dark Yellow	White	Yellow
Unjust, Unfair	White	White	Yellow

NOTE: *Criminal* shares only this feature and also signifies that the act is "punishable".

Not all illegal things are criminal, for example, civil infractions where one might be sued but not face criminal punishment.

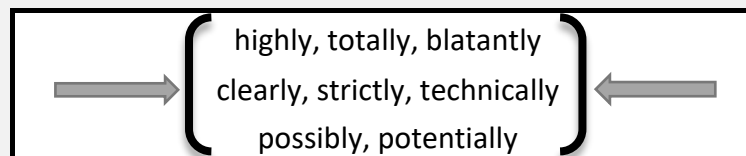
## COLLOCATIONS



NOTE: *Illicit's* immoral connotation can be seen in extended collocations such as "illicit joy," or "illicit thrills," or having an illicit drink when you

NOTE: Some collocations signify legal terms. Also, note that illegal assembly may trigger *assembly's* sense of construction.

## MODIFIERS



**Etymological Note:** *Law* derives from from PIE "Legh - to lay down," which is not related to the root of *Legal*, which means "to gather" or "a

NOTE: *Illegal* is the most neutral and flexible of the three and takes adverbs more easily while *illicit* and *unlawful* resist them. This neutrality shows in our preference for the antonym *legal* over *lawful*.

