

Definitions and Concepts for AQA Computer Science A-level

Topic 8: Consequences of Using Computing

8.1 Individual (Moral), Social (Ethical), Legal and Cultural Issues and Opportunities

Code of Conduct: A set of rules that individuals of an organisation voluntarily follow in their day to day work and behaviour.

Copyright: An exclusive and assignable right of legal ownership given to the creator of a piece of content (digital, physical or intellectual) for a fixed period of time.

Cultural Issues: The issues conflicting with the principles, customs or social behaviour of people belonging to a particular segment of society.

Data Misuse: The unauthorised or unlawful use of data.

Ethical Issues: The issues conflicting with the principles by which a society functions.

Legal Issues: The issues conflicting with laws and legislature passed by the Government.

Moral Issues: The issues with the potential to help or harm others or oneself, that conflict with an individual's own principles of right and wrong.

Personal Data: Any information related to an identifiable person.

Unauthorised Access: The use of data, networks, applications or any computer system without permission or for unintended purposes.

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