



## Cyber Ethics Assignment Harvard Case Solution & Analysis

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## Ethical Responsibilities on the Web

**Ethical responsibilities** refers to our behaviors and actions in the cyber world, which mirror who we are in the real world.

As a student, one ethical responsibility you should take very seriously is avoiding plagiarism.

### CONSEQUENCES FOR PLAGIARIZING ARE:

- Failing a school assignment
- Being placed on academic probation
- Getting expelled from school
- Damaging to one's reputation

## Legal Responsibilities on the Web

The two main legal factors we should take into account while online are:

- **Intellectual Property Rights**—the protections legally given to people how invent, write, design, or create something. This ensures that creator can benefit financially from their creations.
- **Copyright Laws**—protects the creations of writers and artists, among others. This deals mainly with music. Violating a copyright is highly unethical.

## Netiquette Rules

What exactly are netiquette rules? They are a set of guidelines that help us communicate with others online and through media devices.



To Communicate Effectively.

## Netiquette Rules

Do you follow them?



To Respectfully Engage and Interact with Other Online Users.



To Avoid Misunderstandings.

## Conclusion

People often feel that they are anonymous online, but individuals can still be held accountable for their actions.

All online users have ethical and legal responsibilities, including using proper netiquette.

Remember that your experiences online will be much more pleasant if you act responsibly.

## Cyber Ethics & Netiquette

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**Netiquette** refers to ethical and appropriate online behavior, including posting respectfully on messages boards, sending appropriate emails and texts, and being responsible about what you post online.

When we practice **netiquette** and adhere to other **cyber ethics** guidelines, we act in a socially responsible way online.



### Ethics

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**Ethics**  
In any given time, we have a shared moral code of conduct.  
Some of our morals are not universal but are shared by most people in the world. Some are shared by all people in the world.  
Our shared morals are not right and wrong, but they are shared among people in the world.

**Don't be a Stalker**  
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## Consequences of Exercising Poor Netiquette

Poor netiquette can have far-reaching consequences emotionally, physically, legally, and socially:

- **People will think you are unprofessional.** This perception can harm your reputation both in school and at home.
- **May misunderstand you and take offense.** Remember, they see words and don't hear the tone of a voice or see facial expressions.
- **Generate a lot of ill will.** If you regularly engage in cyberbullying, flaming, and/or trolling, you may be blocked from emailing or texting people.

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**How do you behave  
when you are online?**

**Do you strive to always do  
the right thing?**

# Learning Goals

## The student will be able to:

- Define cyber ethics and netiquette
- Describe their ethical and legal responsibilities using the Web
- List the Netiquette Rules
- Demonstrate the basic netiquette rules for e-mails
- Recognize the consequences of exercising poor netiquette



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**In our daily lives, we hold a shared moral code of conduct.**

**Some of our morals are enshrined in law. We know it is not right to steal. It is also illegal.**

**Some of our morals are not enforceable by law but yet we know it is a good thing to be kind to people, but it is not illegal for us to be unkind.**

**Our world revolves around right and wrong. We use ethics every day to make decisions.**

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