

## Assignment 6: Ethics & Technology

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Ethics play an important role in the technology field these days. However, you, as an IT professional should know and define your basic ethical values and principles before you get an IT job in which you are tested on those ethics. It pays off to really think about what you would do/say/think in an ethical dilemma, and whether or not you would be ready to take action on it, and face the consequences. We will discuss the assignment in class today, and have a discussion next week on this important issue.

### Task 1: Pick an article and prepare notes for discussion

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Using the handouts I gave you in class; try to think about what you would do in a particular situation. Think about the following questions:

- Are ethics crucial?
- Are all decisions ethical?
- Can or are ethics simple and clear?
- How do you as IT Pro's face ethical questions?
- How would you deal with ethical questions in an IT environment?

Look at the "Ethics Matters" archive at Infoworld.com

<http://www.infoworld.com/columnists/carlton.html>

Choose one article, and present it to class. Make sure that you present the article as stated. Then respond with your reasoned response to the article.

There is no paper for next week, but we will be discussing ethical issues in detail. Take notes and prepare a discussion and argue your position, with respect, with other students in the class. All of your discussion should reflect your own opinions, and reflect the policies and issues in the readings. Remember that there is no right or wrong answers. There are, however, thoughtful answers.

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