

OC ESSAY (OCT 2018) SUBMISSION GUIDELINES -

Firstly, I was asked if it's possible to see the presentations again before the mid-term. The short answer is no. You are encouraged to take notes as much as possible.

SO FOR THE ESSAY YOU MUST:

- ANSWER ALL PARTS OF THE QUESTION
- SPELL-CHECK THE TEXT
- EXPRESS LOGICAL THINKING
- PRINT AN A4 COPY IN ADVANCE OF YOUR OC CLASS
- HAND-IN THE ESSAY AT THE BEGINNING OF THE OC CLASS DURING THE WEEK OF 19 NOVEMBER

PLEASE INCLUDE AT THE TOP OF THE PAGE:

- NAME / GROUP / SUBMISSION DATE

PAGE FORMAT:

- 1.5 LINE SPACING
- 11 POINT FONT
- ARIAL or TIMES NEW ROMAN TYPEFACE

IGNORING ANY OF THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS WILL LEAD TO HAVING POINTS DEDUCTED. Grade is out of 20.

BEFORE WRITING THE ESSAY YOU MUST -

... read this article (link)

<http://www.bgr.in/features/ignoring-app-permissions-could-hurt-your-privacy-more-than-you-think/>

... and watch this short clip (link)

<https://youtu.be/r4iGtCX4A8o>

Video clip context:

The quotes (A-J) are people's reactions to 'allowing apps to access their mobiles' permissions'. The clip shows an interviewer asking members of the public in the street: 'Is data privacy a serious issue and do I think that data privacy is a serious issue?'

Video clip script:

Their reactions:

- It's not like on the front of my mind.
- I think we're pretty secure.
- I honestly don't feel too threatened. So I'm just like... allow, allow, allow.

The clip adds that...

- 'every time you download an app, you agree to terms and conditions. But do you really know what you're agreeing to?' *then people to read the Terms & Conditions of app permission requests out loud:*

(A) "I agree to let this app change my device's call-log including incoming and outgoing calls' data". – So why would they want to change my call log. Do you have any idea?

(B) "To allow this app to record audio at any time without my confirmation." – That's pretty terrible.

(C) "This may allow the app to share or save my calendar data regardless of confidentiality or sensitivity." – It's offensive.

(D) "I give this app permission to modify calendar event and send emails without my knowledge."

(E) "I give the app permissions to read my text messages." – What?

(F) "I allow this app to modify my contacts." – That's scary.

(G) "I give this app permission to read my personal profile information."

(H) "I give the app permission to use my precise location." – It's not something that I think anybody else needs to know.

(I) "I agree to let this app automatically turn off airplane mode." – Is that real? That's insane.

(J) "I give this app permission to read all data about calls on my device."

– Yeah, that's bad. Why would they do that? That, I'm actually quite surprised about. And these are real? Is that true? Oh my... Oh thank you for alerting me to all this really bad stuff. I feel like I'm giving my life to an app. I should probably start to real these things.

ESSAY QUESTION / INSTRUCTIONS:

(i) Choosing one of the 'app permissions' (listed in A-J above) write 300-400 words saying why this type of permission may actually (ii) be beneficial to the user, (iii) indicating with some detail the function of a particular app you think it could relate to, and (iv) also indicate the reasons you think the 'app permission' could affect/compromise personal data privacy.

GOOD LUCK...

GRADE IS OUT OF 20.

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