

Activity ➔ 98

Collaborating and cooperating ethically

STUDENT HANDOUT

Work with your group members during independent study to develop three scenarios that illustrate unethical practice when collaborating and cooperating with others in academia (your peers or research colleagues, for example). The structure, content, style and context of scenario are group choices as long as you ensure that each scenario illustrates a different type of unethical practice. You can make the unethical practice obvious and easy to spot, or you can choose to make it well-hidden and difficult to detect in your scenarios. Ensure that all scenarios are plausible and try to be inventive and creative in your scenarios: it is important that we have a wide coverage of unethical practice and that your scenarios are able to stimulate thought, generate in-depth discussion and help your peers to learn something new.

We will discuss each scenario when we next meet. Your peers will identify the unethical practice that you have illustrated and will then discuss possible ways to prevent, avoid or rectify the unethical practice that has been demonstrated.

Learning outcome: By the end of this activity you will know how to recognise, prevent, avoid and rectify unethical practice when collaborating and cooperating with others, which will help you to collaborate and cooperate ethically as your studies progress and in future careers.