1.Question 1

Which of the following is NOT a criterion used to judge the credibility of sources?

*Check one option.*



Clarity

2.Question 2

Which of the following may pose a problem for objectivity?

*Check 2 options.*



A study conducted by an airline company on the relative safety of air travel compared to boat travel.



A journal article on the health impacts of a particular fast-food burger that was sponsored by the fast-food chain which makes it.

3.Question 3

Consider our example assessment question.

*“Doctors can be replaced by software – 80% of them can. I’d much rather have a good machine learning system diagnose my disease than the median or average doctor”* (Vinod Khosla). Discuss the implications of artificial intelligence doing traditionally human tasks from technical, social and economic perspectives.

A student has found the information source below for example assessment question.

An interview in the ‘News’ section of National Geographic online with the writer of a book on AI and employment. The writer of the book discusses the economic benefits and drawbacks of AI to the economy. The writer of the article is a professional writer. The article was published in 2015.

What is the problem with the source’s credibility?

*Check 2 options.*



The authority



The source’s audience is not academic.

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Which of the following sources would best meet the needs of this assessment?



An article in *The Economist* on “on-shoring” – factories moving back to developed countries from developing countries due to increased use of automation in factories.



A journal article on a new method of programming driverless cars.

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You have found a journal article for your assignment; the abstract of the article is below.

Read the abstract and answer the question below.

*There are increasing policy debates on the efficacy of universal basic income (UBI) within both political and academic circles. These debates have emerged as a response to failures of the welfare state on the one hand, and the threat to employment posed by increasing automation on the other. While issues surrounding introduction and maintenance of the UBI have been explored at some length in sociological and political science literature, economics as a discipline has been slow to enter this discussion. This paper applies a new institutional economic framework to explore the effects of UBI on the economy as well as broader social effects. It shows that while the costs of implementation and the threat of work disincentives are greater than has previously been indicated, the benefits of introducing a UBI far outweigh the drawbacks, particularly when an ongoing decrease in manual and middle class jobs due to automation is assumed. Implications for welfare and social policy are explored.*

We need to decide if it is relevant. How useful is this for your assignment?



Partly

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*This study seeks to explore the educational affordances and constraints of English language teacher robots in Korea. With small but increasing use of AIs in service industries, there is a growing literature on the impact of robots and AI on everyday social interactions in a number of contexts; however, the effects of robots and AIs in educational contexts remain relatively unexplored. This study used ethnographic means to explore the impact of English language teacher robots in 3 primary school settings in Korea. It combined ethnographic non-participant observation with interviews to look at how language teaching could be technologically supported, drawing on the workplace studies of Heath and Luff (2000) to look at how the use of technologically-mediated language instruction offered a new range of affordances and constraints to both students and teachers. Implications for language pedagogy and curriculum development are explored.*

Do you think the information will be appropriately explored in this article, and not be too general or too specific to use in our assessment question?

*Check one option.*



Yes

1.Question 1

You would like to save the PLos One article on robot surgery to your computer. The article citation is:

Noda Y, Ida Y, Tanaka S, Toyama T, Roggia MF, et al. (2013) Impact of Robotic Assistance on Precision of Vitreoretinal Surgical Procedures. PLoS ONE 8(1): e54116. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0054116

According to lesson 3.3a, what would be the best file name to use?



Noda et al\_2013\_robot surgery

2.Question 2

You are saving a draft answer to our example question. The date is 20th of June, 2017. The assessment is the second assessment for the subject STEC1001 Sociology of Technology. What is the best file name to save it as?

*Check one option.*



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3.Question 3

You have a collection of course notes from your course in Business Communications (BUS1002) from the first year of your undergraduate course in Business Management. You took the course in the second quarter of 2018 and your lecturer was Caroline Ng.

What would be the best name for the top level folder in your university folder hierarchy for this information, according to lesson 3.3b?



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1.Question 1

What are the two purposes of step one in the three step approach to reading?



Assess credibility and relevance.



Understand main ideas.

2.Question 2

Which of these parts of an academic journal article would you probably NOT read in great detail?

Methodology

3.Question 3

While reading an information source, what should you do if you find references to other additional relevant information sources?

Circle or highlight them for later reference.

4.Question 4

When you make notes on an information source, how should you organize them?

According to categories based on your research question