# Summary of Module 6 - Week A Discussion (Data Privacy)

In preparation for their DATA 6550 data privacy project, Chance, Autumn, and Kirstin discussed the structure and expectations for the individual and group components of the assignment.

1. \*\*Assignment Structure & Deliverables:\*\*  
- The group discussed the comparison matrix, which is meant to identify common data collection elements, unique features, and regulatory compliance across privacy policies.  
- Autumn mentioned creating a Google Sheet-style matrix, while Ashlyn had provided a Word-based template (summary matrix).  
- There was some confusion between the spoken instructions in class (e.g., half-page write-ups per policy) and the written assignment requirements, but the team agreed to include both.

2. \*\*Individual Analysis Approaches:\*\*  
- Chance and others downloaded privacy policies rather than full user agreements, focusing on documents relevant to data collection, sharing, and user rights.  
- Chance analyzed Amazon, including both the general privacy policy and an FAQ for device-specific practices.  
- Autumn reviewed multiple banks, including US Bank and smaller local institutions, noting differences in regional privacy policies (e.g., California and Virginia consumer privacy acts).  
- The team noted that larger companies often have multiple interlinked policies, whereas smaller banks tended to have more concise documentation.

3. \*\*Regulatory Insights:\*\*  
- The group discussed how California's privacy laws (like CCPA) are stricter than other states, and how regional regulations can result in separate privacy policies for different user groups.  
- Chance emphasized how California serves as a regulatory benchmark in many sectors, especially for occupational safety and data privacy.

4. \*\*Technical Coordination & GitHub Use:\*\*  
- The team discussed creating individual folders in GitHub to store documents and organizing them by user.  
- Chance moved files into appropriate folders and helped coordinate the repository structure.  
- Autumn acknowledged occasional GitHub desktop syncing issues, while Chance preferred a simple drag-and-drop and push workflow.

5. \*\*Final Project Logistics:\*\*  
- There was agreement to include summary matrices, structured analysis, and documentation of features and rights in each policy.  
- Autumn was responsible for aggregating policy comparisons, while Chance would update GitHub and coordinate formatting.  
- The team briefly discussed their upcoming class, lingering assessments, and reflections on recent exams.