0910 INFO2009 IT and the Law – preparation for a stage test.
Areas of the law and work practice which you need to be familiar with cover two broad areas.

1) Workplace Perspectives
2) Computer Systems Perspectives

You need to develop and be able to demonstrate an understanding of the key areas of legislation and key concepts associated with each of the identified topic areas.

You can take a number of different approaches to developing this understanding, for example:

- researching and preparing your individual annotated bibliography
- researching and preparing your group poster preparation;
- referring to other posters or previous presentations developed by other students on INFO2009;
- working through parts of the core texts;
- reading some of the background recommended texts;
- reading through some of the recommended web sites;
- engaging in general discussion with your fellow students on your degree programme.

There is no hard and fast rule as to how you should go about this task, one objective of this module is that you spend time learning for yourself ways which are most efficient for you individually.

**Workplace Perspectives**
Topics covered in workplace perspectives (separate handout) include

1) Employment Legislation
2) Sex Discrimination Act
3) Disabilities Discrimination Act
4) Trades Unions, ACAS, Employment Disputes
5) Harassment and Bullying
6) Health and Safety at Work
7) Professional Bodies, BCS
8) Working Practice, codes of conduct

**Computer Systems Perspectives**

1) Computer Misuse Act 1990
2) Data Protection Act 1998
3) Freedom of Information Act 2000
4) Intellectual Property Rights
5) Public Interest Disclosure Act 1998
6) Defamation Act 1996
7) Consumer Protection (Distance Selling) Regulations 2000
8) Green ICT (Electronic Waste Disposal etc)
9) Security Issues

**Integrating Perspectives**

Although we expect you to take a UK perspective on legal and professional issues, it is also important that you are aware of trans national issues. For example relevant and high profile EU legislation and directives, the extent of national legislation and key out of UK legislation which is impacting on (particularly) internet activities.