

Chapter 19: Regulation and Governance of the Internet

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Quote: "An alternative method would be to use routers to block content at the packet level, where the source address of each packet is checked against a black list."

What I expect to learn: What I expect to learn from this chapter is the definition and what is the regulation and governance of the internet all about.

Review: The chapter talks about the regulation and Governance of the internet meaning they are studying what is happening on the internet its process and the issues that surrounds around it. Even if internet is accessed by everyone it still has rules and regulations and this rules needs to be followed. Like by having a email add you should register and you should be over 18 years old. An also in youtube if the video you are watching is for an adult you have to log in to confirm that you are 18 years old so that you can view that video and if the video in youtube is licensed by a company then it will be blocked and removed that is why many people are changing the title and putting a link instead if the movie is licensed by a company and you can't upload a pornographic video or content in youtube or else it would be removed by the site. Some sites also has their own rules like in facebook where you cannot have double accounts like in friendster and of course it is more easy and convenient to have a one account than two accounts that you need to check all the time it is more hassle. Certain rules should be followed specially in famous websites like yahoo and google because if not then you won't have the thing that you want or the guarantee that you will have a email if you will not follow these conditions but this terms and agreements can still be cheated because a person can change the age and year of his birthday without anyone knowing it because the site doesn't who he is that is why its easy for him to change their age.

What I have learned:

1. Internet is not free at all.
2. There are certain rules and regulations that surrounds internet.
3. We have to follow these in order to have what we want.
4. We have to be careful In the sites that we are visiting because there might be viruses on it.
5. We have to consider if the site where visiting is good or not.

Integrative Questions:

1. What is the relation of the chapter to ethics?
2. What are the problems and issues of the governance of the internet?
3. What are the possible solutions on this problem?
4. Should the hackers and IT developers has something to do about this?
5. As a citizen, what are the things that we can contribute to make the problem easier to solve?