# Unit 17 — Business Ethics



### **Accountability**

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having responsibility for an action, as well as the obligation of justifying and if needed correcting it

"The general lack of accountability for poor business decisions caused investors to become fearful and pull out."

#### **Bribe**

to dishonestly persuade somebody to act in one's favor by giving them money or gifts "He found out that his company had been bribing customs officials for years in order to advance the passage of goods."

## **Carbon footprint**

the amount of greenhouse gases released as a consequence of an individual's actions "Many people don't realize the seemingly innocent actions that dramatically raise their carbon footprint, such as frequent flying, buying fast fashion, eating meat every day, etc."

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