

Ethical issues

Put an X in the column that best describes the situation

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A company refuses to hire a woman because she wears a hijab (a Muslim headscarf).					
A factory owes money for invoices that are over 120 days old.					

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Suggested Answers

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