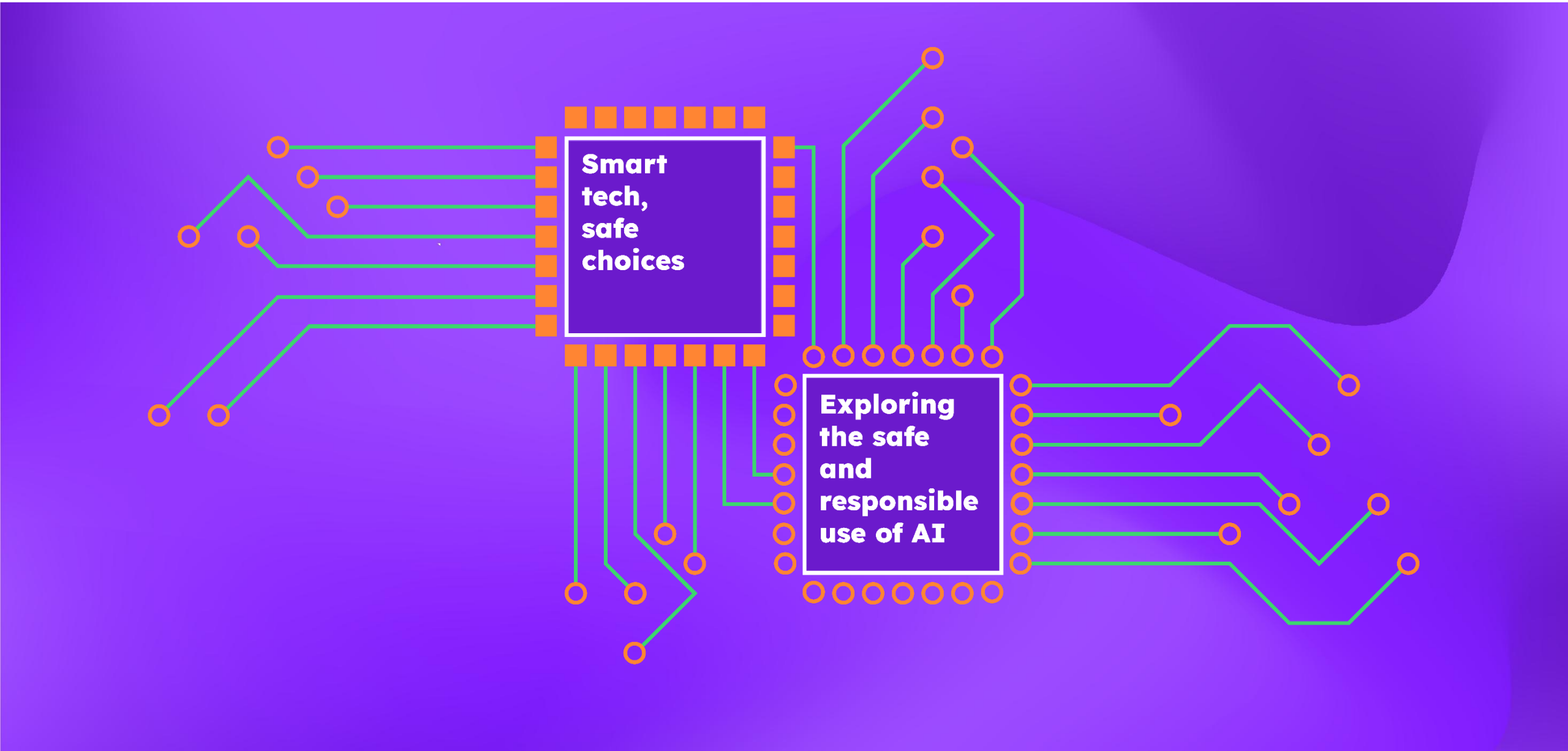
Safer Internet Day 2026

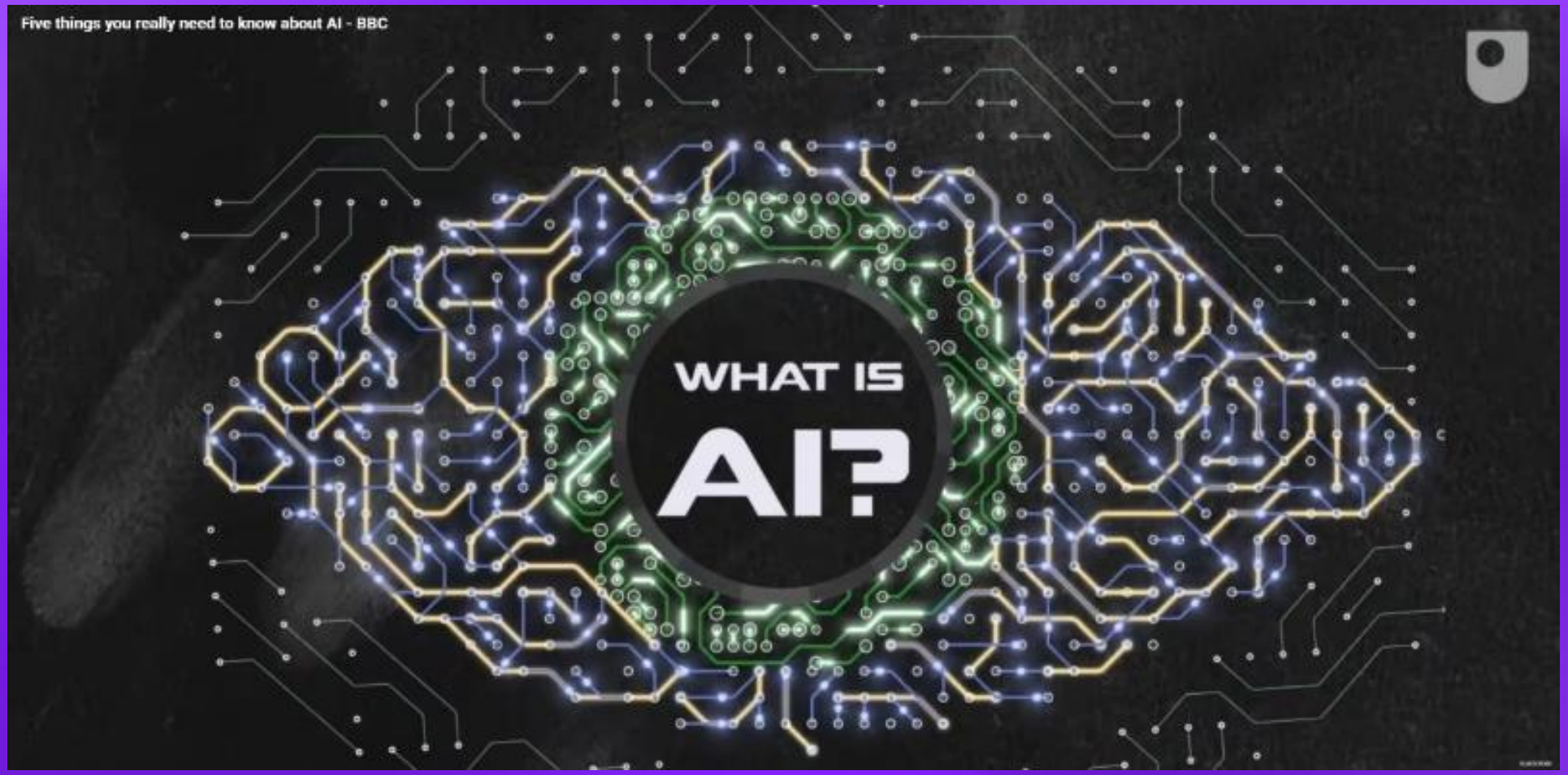
UK Safer Internet Centre

nominet



The big topic – AI

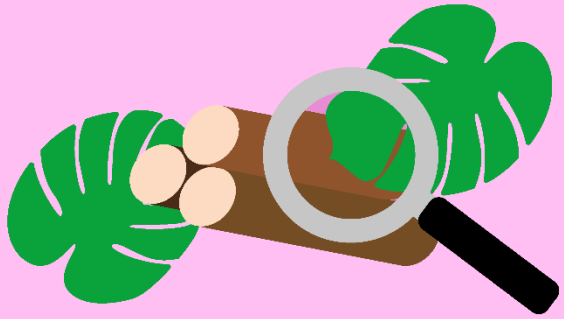
An edited version of the following video was shown in the assembly



The big topic - AI

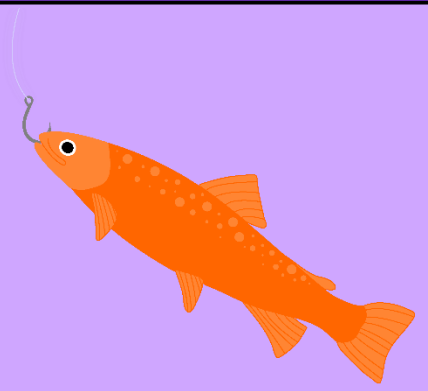
1. AI is as old as your grandparents
2. AI can't feel or think
3. AI makes stuff up!
4. AI can sound racist and sexist
5. AI has amazing potential

How is AI being used?



Detecting illegal logging in the Amazon

Guiding brain surgeons



Tracking sustainable fishing

Translating stories into sign language

Analysing honeybee hives

Narration for people with visual impairments

Issue: dependency

People are using AI to help them write, plan and break down key information. There is a worry that we will lose our skills and abilities if we are using AI too much.

What are the ethical considerations?

- What could happen to an individual using AI in this way?
- How could other people be impacted? Is it harmful or dangerous?
- If lots of people are doing this, what could the impact be on society?

Example

A young person uses generative AI to plan an essay and gets better marks. It saves them time, and they think their writing has really improved. Their exams are approaching.

Issue: presenting AI work as your own

Generative AI can complete tasks for us. It could be used to write an essay, compose a piece of music or create a piece of art. Some people argue that AI uses the thoughts, ideas and work of millions of people but does not credit them or reference specific sources or original ideas.

What are the ethical considerations?

- What could happen to an individual using AI in this way?
- How could other people be impacted? Is it harmful or dangerous?
- If lots of people are doing this, what could the impact be on society?

Example

A university is worried about people using AI and cheating in their studies, so they ask staff to use an AI detector. A professor checks an essay and it says it is AI generated but the student has always written in this style. The student insists that they did not write it using AI but did use an AI tool for the grammar and spelling.

What does safe and responsible use of AI technology mean?

Understanding consent

Thinking critically about online content

Reflecting on how using AI makes you feel

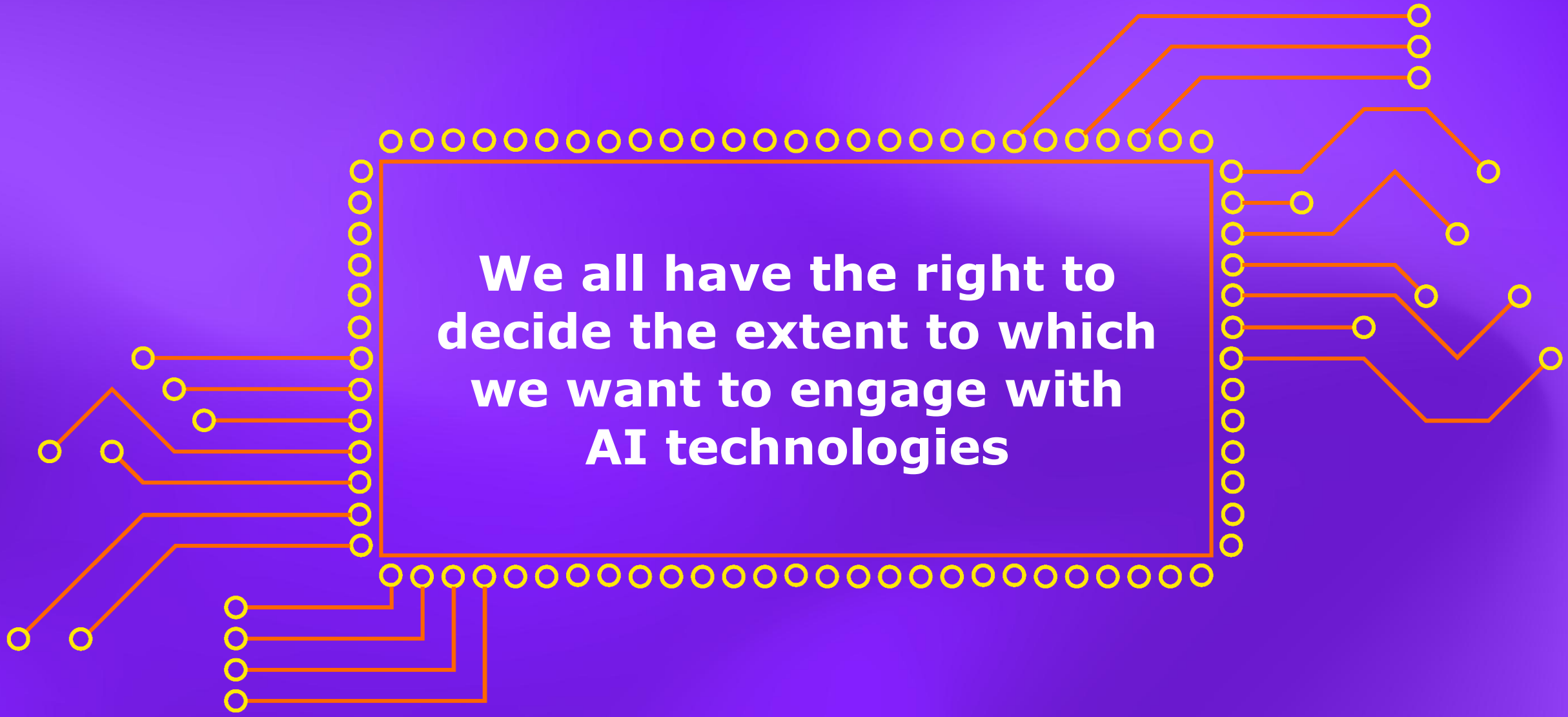
Knowing where to get help

Thinking about how your use makes other people feel

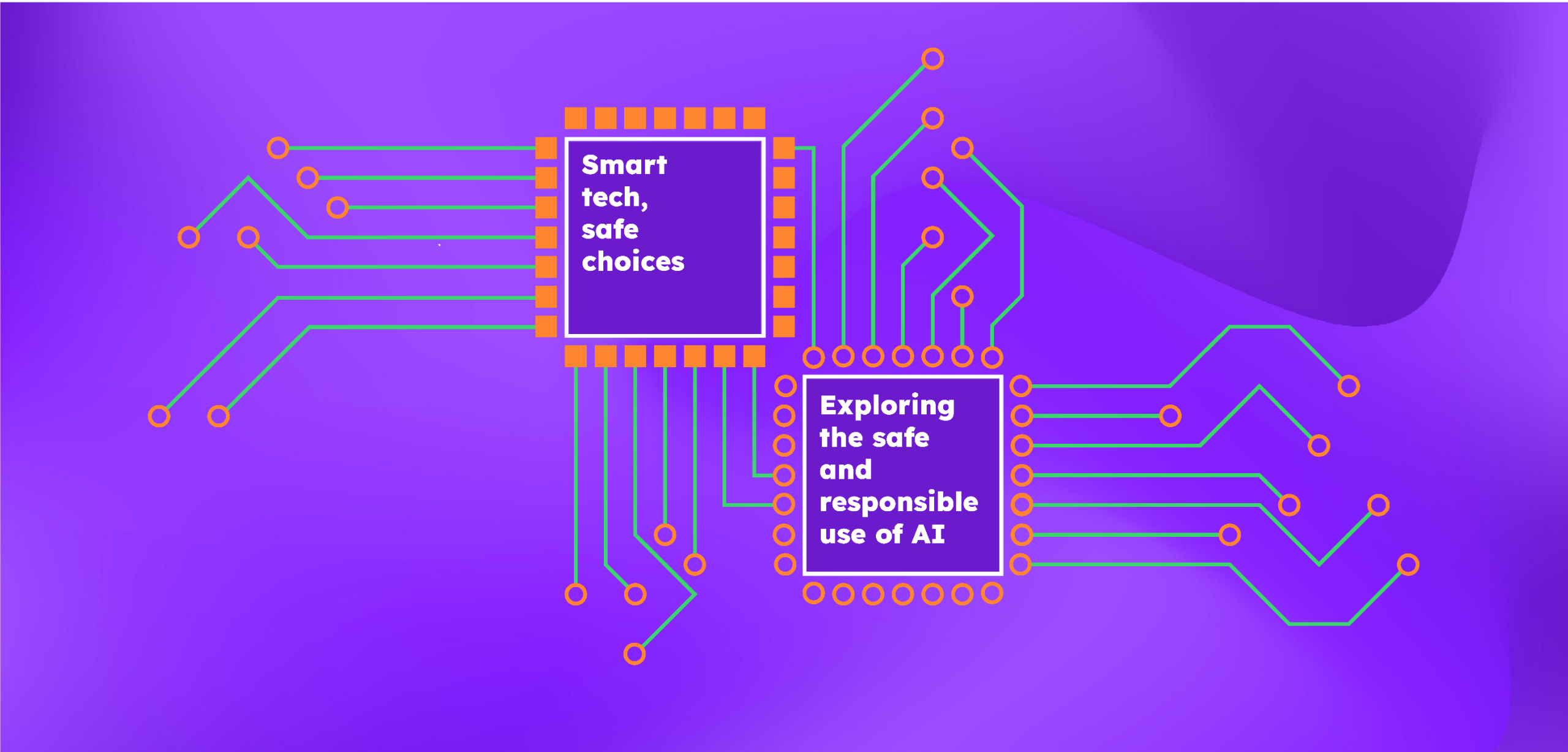
Learning about the ethics of AI

Working with AI @ PHGS

- ***Responsible***, ***safe*** and ***honest*** users of AI / technology
- Learning, and studying, with ***integrity***
- ***Flourish*** and ***achieve*** with technology supporting you


We all have the right to decide the extent to which we want to engage with AI technologies

Happy Safer Internet Day everyone!

UK Safer Internet Centre

nominet