

# Understanding and Preventing Plagiarism

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# What is Plagiarism?

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- ❑ Plagiarism is the act of taking someone else's ideas and passing them off as your own.



# Types of Plagiarism

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- ❑ **Unintentional Plagiarism** – “When a writer doesn’t paraphrase or cite their sources correctly” (Dr. Cite Right, CPCC Library).
  - ❑ **Intentional Plagiarism** – “When a writer deliberately copies material and takes credit for it by not acknowledging the author or creator” (Dr. Cite Right, CPCC Library).
  - ❑ **Cyber Plagiarism** – “When a writer cuts and pastes all or part of a work found online without giving the author credit” (Dr. Cite Right, CPCC Library).
  - ❑ **Self Plagiarism** – “When a writer copies or uses all or part of his or her own work and presents it as something new” (Dr. Cite Right, CPCC Library). Handing in the same paper for different courses.
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# Why is Plagiarism Wrong?

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- ❑ Plagiarism is literary theft--stealing someone else's ideas or work.
- ❑ Self-Plagiarism is cheating.

**Maintaining your academic integrity is important!**

***Thou Shall Not Steal***



# Possible Consequences of Plagiarism

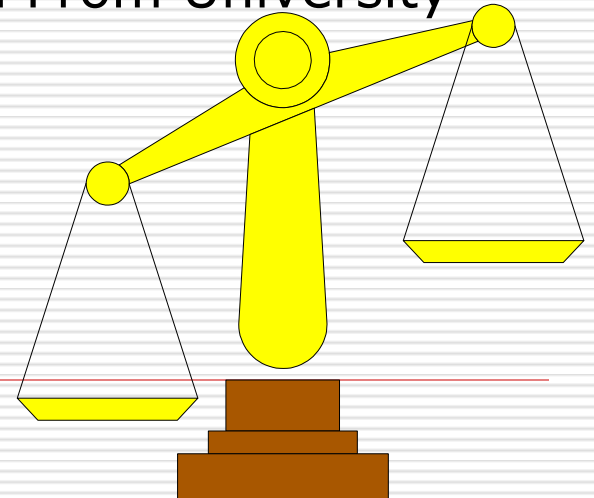
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## School

A Grade of "0"  
Public Humiliation  
Damaged Reputation  
Redo Your Assignment  
Parent Conference  
Fail Course  
Shortchange Yourself  
    Educationally and Intellectually

## Real World

Loss of Job  
Public Humiliation  
Damaged Reputation  
Legal Action Against You  
Academic Integrity Hearing  
Expulsion From University



# What Causes Plagiarism?

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- Laziness
- Procrastination
- Disorganization
- Pressure to get an "A"
- Ignorance about how to cite sources  
(Lackie)



# What do you need to cite?

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- Direct Quotes
- Paraphrases
- Summaries
- Creative Work
- Statistical Data
- Charts and Maps
- Political Cartoons

If you are not sure—cite it!



# You Do Not Need to Cite

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- Facts of Common Knowledge
- Personal Stories
- Your Own Creative and Original Ideas
- Clip Art





# Tips to Stay Organized

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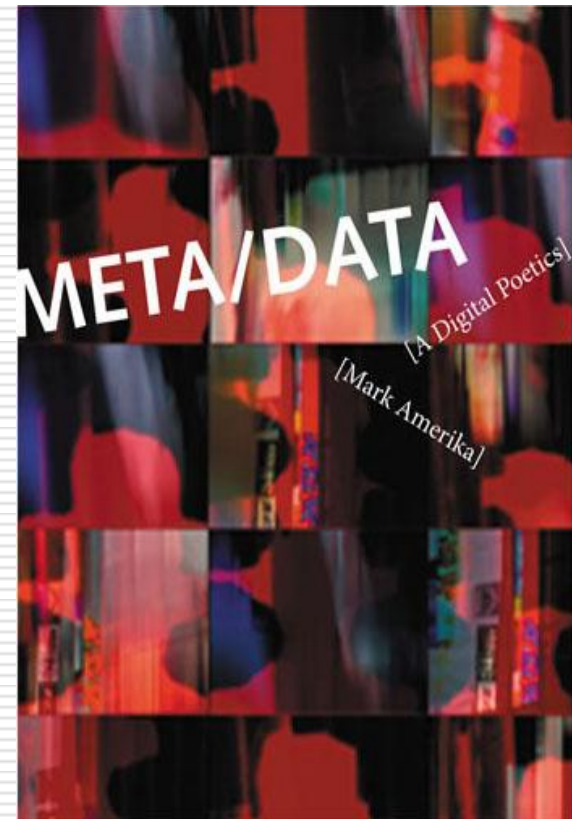


- ❑ **Record citation information as you locate a source**
  - ❑ **Electronic Notes:** Save articles you plan to use for your research in a word processor (we use Microsoft Word 2010) and paste the URL links next to them so they can easily be located when you are ready to cite them.
  - ❑ **Handwritten Notes:** Use a graphic organizer or other note taking strategy to keep track of information needed to cite sources. See our [Research Guide](#) for a printable [notes organizer](#).
  - ❑ **Type your works consulted page as you locate resources. KnightCite @ <http://www.calvin.edu/library/knightcite/> will help format your citations.**
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# Information to Record for Citations

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- Author(s) or Name of Organization
- Title of Article
- Title of Work (or Website)
- Volume (if applicable)
- Date of Publication
- Publisher (or Website Sponsor)
- City of Publication
- Page Numbers if Available
- Date of Access
- Format of Publication (Web, Print, etc.)
- Website URLs



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*Trivia--Metadata is data about data*

# How do I document my research?

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- By citing your sources.

## But, how do I cite my sources?

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- See [\*\*Citing Sources with MLA\*\*](#) on *this website for instructions and tools to help you document your research using MLA citation style.*
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# For more help citing sources...

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...see our *Research Guide* webpage on the  
Bishop Grimes website

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<http://www.bishopgrimes.org/library/research-guide/>

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# Additional Tools to Help Cite Sources

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- ❑ OUR *Fill-In-Blanks* Worksheet on the BG Research Guide Webpage)  
<http://www.bishopgrimes.org/library/research-guide/>
  
- ❑ Citation Generators-free software on the Web that will format your citations.
  - Son of Citation Machine  
<http://citationmachine.net/index.php>
  - KnightCite (free, does not create in-text citations, good for citing multimedia sources)  
<http://www.calvin.edu/library/knightcite/index.php>
  - Bibme (free, does not create in-text citations)  
<http://www.bibme.org/>
  
- ❑ Purdue University Guide – *Avoiding Plagiarism*
  - <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/589/1/>
  - <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/589/03/>



# Test Your Knowledge

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This is a fun interactive game that tests your knowledge about plagiarism and can be done in class or as homework.

## *Goblin Threat*

### **Instructions:**

**Go to the link below, enter your name and click *start*. When you have completed the game print a copy of the certificate page to hand in to your teacher.**

### **Plagiarism Game**

**Congratulations Mrs. Hendrick!**  
**Your knowledge of plagiarism has saved the campus from the goblins!**  
**Print this screen for your professor as proof of completing this game.**

NOTES ABOUT PRINTING: Flash files do not print in the Google Chrome browser. If you are using a Google Chrome or a laptop without printer access, you can create a screenshot by pressing the Print Screen button on your keyboard, then pasting into a new Word document.

This is what the certificate will look like.

<http://www.lycoming.edu/library/instruction/tutorials/plagiarismGame.aspx>

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# Clipart Credits

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Hammer and Nail

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Idea Thief

<http://www.fotosearch.com/ART269/com022/>

Meta/Data

<http://www.markamerika.com/metadate/metadate.jpg>

Mountain Climber

<http://www.fotosearch.com/ART113/big047/>

Note Taker

<http://www.smc.edu/disabledstudent/obsolete/learning%20disabilities/PE03327.gif>

Scales

<http://www.kamsart.com/images/Government/BALANCE.WMF.html>

**All remaining clipart**

<http://www.phillipmartin.info/clipart/homepage.htm>

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