

Definitions

Copyright — The right to have protection of one's original work under any type of format.

Intellectual Property — One's own creation that is automatically copyrighted, but cannot be brought to law without being registered.

Consequences for Infractions

In School

- Possible suspension/expulsion
- Failing the assignment

Out of School

- Possible fine/lawsuit
- Possibly fired from job

Mini Quiz

1) What is copyrighting?

- A. Right to plagiarize
- B. Right to have protection of one's original work
- C. Right to have doughnuts

2) What is a consequence of plagiarizing in school?

- A. Possible suspension/expulsion
- B. Possibly being fired from your job
- C. Possibly getting sued

3) Class projects can only include ___ seconds of a song.

- A. 15 seconds
- B. 30 seconds
- C. 45 seconds

4) What is the best way to use a copyrighted material?

- A. Take it without permission
- B. Ask for permission
- C. Get somebody to take it for you

COPYRIGHTING AND THE WEB



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Answers: 1) B. 2) A. 3) B. 4) B.

Questions on Copyrighting

Where can you find information regarding copyrighted materials?

You can search for copyrighted work at www.copyright.gov.

You can also find other vital information regarding copyrighting at this website.

How can I use copyrighted materials legally?

The best way to use copyrighted materials legally is simply to ask permission from the author of the work.

How can I register a piece of work for copyright?

Automatically, with a piece of work that you've created, you have a form of copyright over it called intellectual property. However, if you wish to take any plagiarism to court, you must register your issue with the US Copyright Offices.

Fairfax County Public Schools Copyright Guidelines

PRINTED MATERIALS:

- You are allowed to make a single copy of short documents for personal use or teaching purposes.
- Making multiple copies of documents is limited; there is a limit to how many words can be copied.

SOFTWARE:

- Never copy software without permission from the owner
- You cannot copy software to any place but the hard drive where the original is located

MUSIC:

- Class presentations can only include 30 seconds of a popular song

AUDIOVISUAL:

- You cannot make backup copies of videos or DVDs

CHARACTERS FROM CARTOONS, MOVIES, ETC.:

- Cannot be altered at all

Do's and Don'ts

DO:

- Keep all receipts
- Ask permission from the owner before using certain materials
- Post copyright notices on projectors, computers, and scanners

DON'T:

- Copy commercial software
- Combine media from different sources without giving appropriate credit

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