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**Plagiarism Worksheet**

1. **Intellectual Property - go to** [**http://www.wipo.int/about-ip/en/**](http://www.wipo.int/about-ip/en/)

Define the two categories of “Intellectual Property” using **complete sentences**.

Category One: Industrial Property

Category Two: Copyright

**2. Plagiarism -**

Write your own definition of Plagiarism. Be sure to use **complete sentences**.

**3. Paraphrasing - Unacceptable & Acceptable**

**Go to** [**https://wts.indiana.edu/writing-guides/plagiarism.html**](https://wts.indiana.edu/writing-guides/plagiarism.html) **to learn about paraphrasing.**

A. Paraphrase the paragraph below. Be sure to cite your source and use complete sentences.

Of the more than 1000 bicycling deaths each year, three-fourths are caused by head injuries. Half of those killed are school-age children. One study concluded that wearing a bike helmet can reduce the risk of head injury by 85 percent. In an accident, a bike helmet absorbs the shock and cushions the head. From “Bike Helmets: Unused Lifesavers,” Consumer Reports (May 1990): 348.

**4. Consequences - go to** [**http://distance-educator.com/a-campus-fad-thats-being-copied-internet-plagiarism/**](http://distance-educator.com/a-campus-fad-thats-being-copied-internet-plagiarism/)

Read the article “A Campus Fad That’s Being Copied: Internet Plagiarism Seems on the Rise”, and answer the questions below.

A. According to the article, what percent of increase has there been on plagiarism in the last 3 years?

B. How do many students feel about plagiarizing?

C. Why is plagiarism increasing?

D. Is plagiarism a cut-and-dry issue? Explain your answer.

**5. Judge -** You should respond to all 7 scenarios. Is this plagiarism? Yes or no.

Scenario 1 – Ellen asks her supervisor at work if she could use the text of the training manual in an English assignment about proper sales etiquette. Ellen uses entire passages from the manual without citing her source.

**Yes/No - Rationale:**

Scenario 2 – A student makes an appointment with the family physician in order to get information about the common cold. The helpful doctor gives the student brochures about causation and treatment. However, the brochure is copyrighted by the American Medical Association. The student uses quotations from the brochures and cites the source material.

**Yes/No – Rationale:**

Scenario 3 – Roger has written a paper on King George III for his English class. He then must write a paper for U.S. History. He reuses one page from his English-class paper.

**Yes/No – Rationale:**

Scenario 4 – Sara’s mother has downloaded an article from the Internet on the market in Korea for computers. Sara uses the information from the article in a report for her economics class. She has lost the original article and does not remember the source. She does not cite the article in her notes.

**Yes/No – Rationale:**

Scenario 5 – Jared copies a painting of a tiger by a famous living artist from an Art magazine. He then enters the art work in a school competition as his own and wins.

**Yes/No – Rationale:**

Scenario 6 – Charles has worked very hard on his Science homework for the past 2 weeks. He has completed the chapter outlines and has answered all textbook questions. The day before the assignment is due, Christina realized she has not started the assignment. She asks Charles to email her the assignment and Charles does. The teacher discovers this and gives both of them a zero claiming both parties are guilty of plagiarism.

**Yes / No – Rationale:**

Scenario 7 – Linda has to do a report on a famous scientist. She does extensive research and takes large amounts of notes on the topic. When it comes down to writing the report, she just can’t seem to put it into her own words. So she decides to find an obscure website that is not found easily, and she cuts and pastes off the internet into her report without quotation. The only mention she has to this website is in the Work Cited section of her report.

**Yes / No – Rationale:**

**Basic Rules to Remember about Plagiarism**

1. There are many types of plagiarism.

a. **Accidental**- result of sloppy work such as forgetting to put quotations around a quote

b. **Deliberate / Intentional**- a person intentionally buys / copy a paper or assignment, cutting and pasting from a source other than their own

2. If you are cutting and pasting off the internet, it is plagiarism.

3. If you email YOUR work to another student to use, it is plagiarism.

4. If you copy any answer word for word from another student (regardless of the type of assignment…lab, test, homework, drill, class work, project)

5. **Any person caught cheating (the cheater and the person whom they are copying from) will both receive a 0 on the assignment and an academic referral.**