

Plagiarism Workshop Question Sheet

Your participation in this workshop may be the result of purposeful/inadvertent intent in plagiarizing an assignment, an assignment in a class, or your desire to understand what is plagiarism. Answer the following questions using information provided in the short video and materials found at the web site <http://www.mywirelessclassroom.us/plagiarism.php>.

1. What is Plagiarism?
2. Can a person plagiarize an essay or other type of document if they cite an author's name for a source? Explain your answer.
3. Is changing the words of an original source sufficient to prevent plagiarism?
4. Why are copyright laws in existence?
5. What type of published work could you borrow from without fear of plagiarism?
6. If some sources or facts of information are considered the intellectual property of an author and are thereby considered plagiarized if one does not cite the source, how do I know I have facts that I can use and not have to attribute?
7. Is there any instance where I can use material from other sources and not have it considered plagiarism?
8. What happens to a person at MVHS if they are caught plagiarizing?
9. What are some ways that people can be punished for plagiarism?
10. What if I didn't know that I was plagiarizing? Is that ok? Explain?
11. What is "fair use"?
12. What is "public domain"?
13. What is the difference of "fair use" and "public domain"?
14. What is a citation?
15. Why do I cite sources?
16. When do I need to cite sources?
17. What is the difference between quoting and paraphrasing?
18. What are the differences between "works cited" and an "annotated bibliography"?
19. What is "parenthetical style"?
20. What are six things that you can do to prevent plagiarism?
21. What are two reasons that students plagiarize?
22. Why is it that "I was just copying my notes" is not a valid reason for explaining or accepted why you plagiarized?
23. Give an example of the cost of plagiarism.