COPYRIGHT, FAIR USE, AND YOU

HOW TO LEGALLY AND ETHICALLY USE PUBLISHED MATERIALS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

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“Copyright has grown from a legal concept regulating copying rights in the publishing of books and maps to one with a significant effect on nearly every modern industry, covering such items as sound recordings, films, photographs, software, and architectural works.”

What is Copyright?

The author/s of “original works of authorship,” including literary, dramatic, musical, artistic, and certain other intellectual works, is/are granted the **exclusive** right to reproduce, distribute copies of, publicly perform or publicly display the work, or to prepare derivative works based upon the work.
Modern U.S. Copyright Legislation

- Copyright Act of 1976.
- Sonny Bono Copyright Term Extension Act.
- Digital Millennium Copyright Act.
- Family Entertainment and Copyright Act.

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- To reproduce the work in copies or phonorecords;
- To prepare derivative works based upon the work;
- To distribute copies to the public by sale or rental;
- To perform the work publicly;
- To display the work publicly; and
- In the case of sound recordings, to perform the work publicly by means of a digital audio transmission.
What Works Are Protected?

- Literary works
- Musical works, including accompanying words
- Dramatic works, including accompanying music
- Pantomimes and choreographic works
- Pictorial, graphic, and sculptural works
- Motion pictures and other audiovisual works
- Sound recordings
- Architectural works
What is Not Protected?

- Works not fixed in tangible form of expression
- Titles, names, short phrases, and slogans; familiar symbols or designs; mere variations of typographic ornamentation, lettering or coloring; mere listings of ingredients or contents
- Ideas, procedures, methods, systems, processes, concepts, principles, discoveries, or devices, as distinguished from a description, explanation, or illustration
- Works consisting entirely of information that is common property and containing no original authorship
Works Made For Hire

- A work prepared by an employee within the scope of his or her employment; or

- A work specially ordered or commissioned for use as:
  - A contribution to a collective work
  - A part of a motion picture or other audiovisual work
  - A translation
  - A supplementary work
  - A compilation
  - An instructional text
  - A text
  - Answer material for a test
  - An atlas
Copyright Lasts How Long?

- Works created on or after January 1, 1978, are automatically protected from the moment of creation until 70 years after the death of the creator.

- Works with joint authorship have terms that last 70 years beyond the death of the last surviving author.

- Works made for hire, and for anonymous and pseudonymous works, duration of copyright is 95 years from publication or 120 from creation, whichever is shorter.
“The fair use of a copyrighted work...for purposes such as criticism, comment, news reporting, teaching (including multiple copies for classroom use), scholarship, or research, is not an infringement of copyright.” Section 107 or title 17, United States Code
Factors For Determining Fair Use

- The purpose and character of the use, including whether such use is of a commercial nature or is for nonprofit educational purposes;

- The nature of the copyrighted work;

- The amount and substantiality of the portion used in relation to the copyrighted work as a whole; and

- The effect of the use upon the potential market for or value of the copyrighted work.
Important Concepts Determining Fair Use

- Brevity
- Spontaneity
- Cumulative Effect
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Prohibitions For Teacher and Classroom Use

- Copying shall not be used to create or to replace or substitute for anthologies, compilations or collective works.

- There shall be no copying of or from works intended to be “consumable” in the course of study or of teaching.

- Copying shall not:
  - Substitute for the purchase of books, publishers’ reprints or periodicals;
  - Be directed by higher authority;
  - Be repeated with respect to the same item by the same teacher from term to term.

- No charge shall be made to the student beyond the actual cost of the photocopying.
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