



# Creating original thoughts in the internet age

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### Starter Activity

1) Get into pairs and choose to be A or B

### Starter Activity continued...

2) Person A : write a paragraph about why pupils should be able to wear their own clothes to school.

### In this lesson you will...

LO: become familiar with the definition of plagiarism

LO: identify the consequences of plagiarism

LO: begin to understand simple strategies to avoid online plagiarism

### What is plagiarism?

То ...

*"take (the work or idea of someone else) and pass it off as one's own."* 

It's original meaning comes from :

plagiarius 'kidnapper', from Greek plagion 'a kidnapping'.

From the Compact Oxford English Dictionary

http://www.askoxford.com/results/?view=dict&freesearch=plagiarism&branch=13842570&textsearchtype=exact

#### Why should we not plagiarise?



Software is being used by Schools and Universities that scans essays to see how "original they are".



Schools may fail your essay if they think someone other that you may have written all or parts of it.

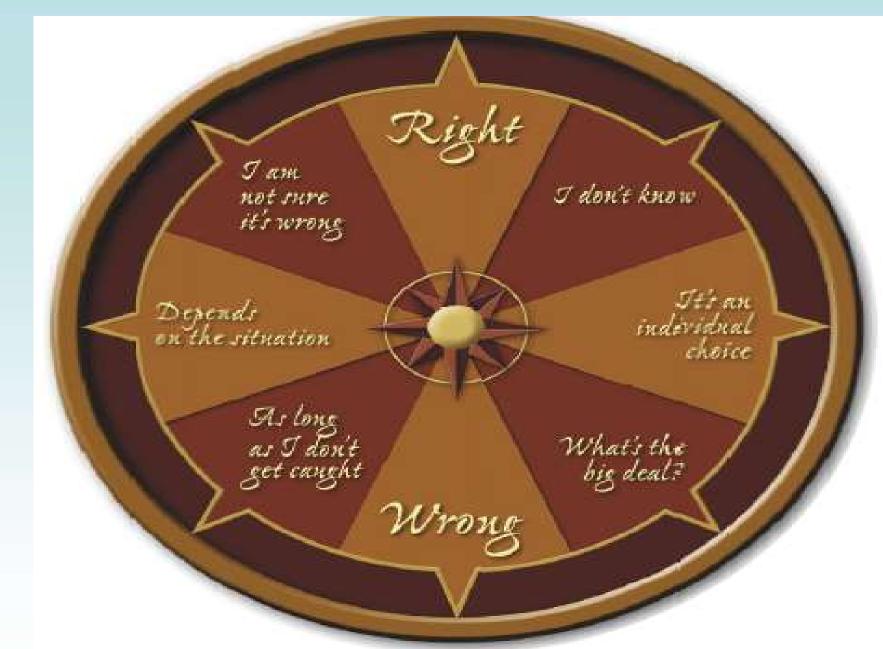
We need to learn how to be independent thinkers!

Albert Einstein

**Jacqueline Wilson** 

## Should we worry about plagiarism on the internet?

The internet is great because it gives users of the internet access to lots of information. The information is available for free and often the author's name doesn't appear. In my opinion if someone has chosen to put their information online then they should not be surprised if someone uses that information. If someone agrees with an article they find on the internet, and it happens to be an article on a subject a pupil needs to write an essay on, I think that it's fair for the pupil to use it as their own. If the author didn't want this they shouldn't have put it online.



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## How can you use online information and not plagiarise?

 Ask your teacher if they have websites they would recommend you use for your project/essay/homework. 2) If you find information you think will be useful make a note of the exact website address in a word document. Save this word document under the name. E.g. "Notes for essay about how Queen Elizabeth ruled England."

3) If you find information that you think is useful for your project write it in your <u>own words</u>. This will help you to learn the information and also means you won't hand in something that you clearly haven't written!

#### In your own words 1

Topic- Healthy eating Online info:

> A simple menu of nutritious dishes will give kids the range of basic skills they need to prepare and cook with fresh ingredients, instead of getting their meal from a packet with all of the extra cost, unnecessary processing additives and packaging that goes with it.

#### In my own words

It's important for children to eat healthily. Ready meals often cost a lot more than freshly cooked meals and sometimes are not very healthy. Young people should learn to cook a few easy dishes so that they eat healthily.

#### In your own words 2

#### Topic- Nazi Germany

#### **Online info**

People supported Hitler because he promised them what they wanted and needed to hear. The Weimar Republic appeared to have no idea how to solve the problems of the Depression. The Nazis on the other hand promised to solve the problems. Hitler promised most groups in Germany what they wanted. Hitler used the Jews and other sections of society as scapegoats, blaming all the problems on them. To Germans at the time Hitler made sense, he united everyone by providing explanations for Germany's problems.

#### In my own words

Hitler became more and more popular because life in Germany had become hard. Many Germans had hoped that the Weimar Republic might come up with some ways to solve the problems of the Depression but this did not happen. Therefore by blaming the Jews for the problems faced by Germany, Hitler and the Nazi party promised an end to the Depression.

### In your own words 3

#### Topic-Online info

**Eleven year old Shobu Tara** lives in Kallyanpur Pura Bastee Slum, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

The area she lives in is overcrowded and used to have no basic services like water or sanitation. Recently her community has worked with WaterAid to build water and sanitation facilities here. She now visits a day care centre while her mother works to earn money for the family. At the centre children are taught about good hygiene practises which they then teach to their parents and other people. They train for three months and then graduate to spread the message to other people living in the slums.

#### In my own words

Many children in Bangladesh live in slums that are full of people and often dirty. In some areas charities work with the people to make the water cleaner and get rid of disease. Local children go to a centre where they learn about how to keep things clean and steer clear of disease. The children then teach their parents and other people in the neighbourhood what they have learnt.

http://www.wateraid.org/international/learn\_zone/other\_resources/6763.asp

#### In your own words: <u>Online</u> challenge

In pairs you are challenged to write three paragraphs in your own words about one of these subjects:

- 1) Shakespeare's early life
- 2) What happened in Germany on Kristallnacht?
- 3) Early 20th-century suffrage movements

Use the planning sheet to practice avoiding plagiarism online! Don't forget to copy and paste the websites you use!

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