

Plagiarism

Exploring and understanding academic integrity



According to the Merriam-Webster online dictionary, to "plagiarize" means:

- to steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own
- to use (another's production) without crediting the source
- to commit literary theft
- to present as new and original an idea or product derived from an existing source

"Plagiarize." Merriam-Webster.com. Merriam-Webster. Accessed May 20, 2020. <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/plagiarize>.

Plagiarism does not always mean Word-for-word copying

There are actually **10 different ways**
that plagiarism can occur.



Ten types of plagiarism

Clone

Submitting another's work, word-for-word, as one's own

Find - Replace

Changing key words and phrases but retaining the essential content of the source

Recycle

Borrowing generously from one's previous work without citation

Mashup

Mixing copied material from multiple sources

Aggregator

Including proper citation of sources but containing almost no original work

CTRL-C

Containing significant portions of text from a single source without alterations

Remix

Mixing paraphrased material from multiple sources

Hybrid

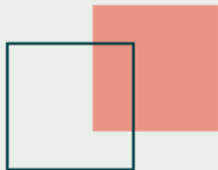
Combining perfectly cited sources with copied passages without citation

404 Error

Citing nonexistent sources or including inaccurate information about sources

Re-tweet

Including proper citation but relying too closely on the text's original wording and/or structure



#1 Clone

Submitting another's work, word-for-word, as one's own

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Student work

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Student work

The Beautiful Yosemite Valley

From the time of its first discovery by non-indigenous people in the mid-nineteenth century Yosemite Valley has held a special, even religious, possession on the American conscience because its beauty makes it an incomparable valley and one of the grandest of all special temples of Nature. And Yosemite holds a special grip on the western mind, while perceptions about the Valley have evolved over time due to changing politics, migration patterns and environmental concern as man has become more attuned to his relationship and impact or nature.





#3 Find - Replace

Changing key words and phrases but retaining the essential content of the source

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Student work

A Beautiful Setting in Yosemite

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#4 Remix

Paraphrases from multiple sources, made to fit together

Source text

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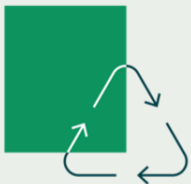
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Student work

An Untouched View A History of Settlement and Change in Yosemite Valley

The first non-natives to see Yosemite Valley were probably members of the mid-nineteenth century Joseph Walker Party, who crossed the Sierra Nevada from East to West. The first descriptions of Yosemite came almost 20 years later. From the start, the valley has been renowned for its natural beauty, and highly regarded as the center-piece of Yosemite National Park, attracting visitors from around the world. While Yosemite holds a special grip on the western mind, perceptions about the Valley have evolved over time due to changing politics, migration patterns and environmental concerns as man has become more attuned to their relationship and impact on nature.





#5 Recycle

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Student work

Ecology 201

An Unnatural Expectation: The Impact of Exploration and Settlement in Yosemite Valley

From its first discovery by the Ahwahnechee in the mid-nineteenth century Yosemite Valley has held a unique, even religious, hold on the American conscience because its beauty makes it an incomparable valley and one of the grandest of all special temples of Nature. While Yosemite holds a special grip on the western mind, perceptions about the Valley have evolved over time reflecting changing politics, human migration patterns and the rise of environmental concerns as man has become more attuned to his relationship and impact on nature.





#6 Hybrid

Combines perfectly cited sources with copied passages without citation

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Student work

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Since its first discovery by non-indigenous people in the mid-nineteenth century, Yosemite Valley has held a special, even religious, hold on the American conscience because its beauty makes it an incomparable valley and one of the grandest of all special temples of Nature. "Native Americans have lived in the Yosemite region for as long as 8,000 years. The first people that we have record of was a band of Native Americans that called the Valley "Ah-wah-nee" and themselves the Ahwahnechee."¹ While Yosemite holds a special grip on the western mind, perceptions about the Valley have evolved over time due to changing politics, migration patterns and environmental concerns as man has become more attuned to his relationship and impact on nature.

¹Wikipedia contributors. (2012, April 20). *Yosemite Valley*. Wikipedia. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yosemite_Valley





#7 Mashup

Mixes copied material from multiple sources

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Student work

A Natural Setting A History of Exploration and Settlement in Yosemite Valley

Since its first discovery by non-indigenous people in the mid-nineteenth century Yosemite Valley has held a special, even religious, hold on the American conscience. The work of Ayres gave easterners an appreciation for Yosemite Valley and started a move-ment to preserve it. While Yosemite holds a special grip on the western mind, perceptions about the Valley have evolved over time due to changing politics, migration patterns and environmental concerns as man has become more attuned to their relationship and impact on nature. The 1849 California Gold Rush led to conflicts between miners and natives, and the volunteer Mariposa Battalion was formed by the state of California as a punitive expedition against natives in the Yosemite area.





#8 404 Error

Includes citations to non-existent or inaccurate information about sources

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Student work

Perceived Beauty: Man's Nature Exploration and Settlement in Yosemite Valley

"Since its first discovery by the Joseph Walker Party in the mid-nineteenth century" ¹ "Yosemite Valley has held a special, even religious, hold on the American conscience because its beauty makes it an incomparable valley and one of the grandest of all 'special temples of Nature.'" ² "While Yosemite holds a special grip on the western mind, perceptions about the Valley have evolved over time due to changing politics, migration patterns and environmental concerns as man has become more attuned to their relationship and impact on nature." ³

¹ Walker, (1833, May 5). [Article on Yosemite Valley]. The Golden Times, p. 4.

² Bloom, H. (2000, November). Aesthetics of the found: The "nature" of the natural. Aesthetics and the Found, 18–22.

³ Huang, C., et al. (1997). Politics, policy, and the environment. Nature and Society, 25(3), 127–153.





#9 Aggregator

Includes proper citation to sources but the paper contains almost no original work

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Student work

A Natural Setting: A History of Exploration and Settlement in Yosemite Valley ¹

Yosemite Valley was first sighted by non-Indians in 1833 by Joseph Rutherford Walker and his group of explorers. ² Yosemite has a long and diverse cultural history that helped to shape the region, country, and even the world. ³ While Yosemite holds a special grip on the western mind, perceptions about the Valley have evolved over time due to changing politics, migration patterns and environmental concerns as man has become more attuned to their relationship and impact on nature. ⁴

¹Harrick, C. (1996). *A natural setting. Nature and its Discontents*, 23(1), 41–50.

² Ace & Friends. (n.d.). *History of Yosemite*. Yosemitegold.com. Retrieved April 24, 2012, from <http://www.yosemitegold.com/yosemite/history.html>

³ DNC Parks and Resorts at Yosemite, Inc. (n.d.). *Yosemite National Park cultural history*. Yosemitepark.com. Retrieved April 24, 2012, from <http://www.yosemitepark.com/cultural-history.aspx>

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Student work

A History of Exploration and Settlement in Yosemite Valley

From its earliest discovery by non-indigenous people in the mid-nineteenth century Yosemite Valley has held a spiritual hold on the American conscience; its beauty is incomparable and has been held up as one of the grandest of all special temples of Nature. While Yosemite has a special grip on the western mind, impressions about the Valley have evolved over time, shaped by changing politics, migration patterns and environmental concerns as mankind has become more attuned to its relationship and impact on nature.¹

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Practice A

Source text

There is no incongruity in the idea that in the very earliest period of man's habitation of this world he made a friend and companion of some sort of aboriginal representative of our modern dog, and that in return for its aid in protecting him from wilder animals, and in guarding his sheep and goats, he gave it a share of his food, a corner in his dwelling, and grew to trust it and care for it. Probably the animal was originally little else than an unusually gentle jackal, or an ailing wolf driven by its companions from the wild marauding pack to seek shelter in alien surroundings.

Student work

There is no difference in the idea that in the very earliest period of man's habitation of this world he made a friend and companion of some sort of native representative of our modern dog, and that in return for its help in protecting him from wilder animals, and in guarding his sheep and goats, he gave it a share of his food, a corner in his home and grew to trust it and care for it. Probably the animal was originally little else than an unusually gentle jackal, or an ailing wolf driven by its companions from the wild marauding pack to seek shelter in strange surroundings.

Leighton, R. (1910). *Dogs and all about them*. Cassell and Company, Ltd.

Practice B

Source text

It is a significant circumstance when we come to consider the probable origin of the dog, that there are indications of his domestication at such early periods by so many peoples in different parts of the world. As we have seen, dogs were more or less subjugated and tamed by primitive man, by the Assyrians, Egyptians, Phoenicians, Greeks, and Romans, as also by the ancient barbaric tribes of the western hemisphere. The important question now arises: Had all these dogs a common origin in a definite parent stock, or did they spring from separate and unrelated parents?

Student work

The origin of different types of dogs can be a perplexing question. As Leighton (1910) asks in *Dogs and All About Them*, “Had all these dogs a common origin in a definite parent stock, or did they spring from separate and unrelated parents?” (20).

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Practice C

Source text

The name Mastiff was probably applied to any massively built dog. It is not easy to trace the true breed amid the various names which it owned. Molossus, Alan, Alaunt, Tie-dog, Bandog (or Band-dog), were among the number. The names Tie-dog and Bandog intimate that the Mastiff was commonly kept for guard, but many were specially trained for baiting bears, imported lions, and bulls.

Student work

The Mastiff is a type of dog that is notoriously large and muscular. They were often used as bait for large, aggressive animals like bears, lions, and bulls, and have been known through the ages by names like Tie-dog or Molossus. (Leighton 1910, 34)

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Practice D

Source text

As companions and friends Miniature Bulldogs are faithful, fond, and even foolish in their devotion, as all true friends should be. They are absolutely and invariably good-tempered, and, as a rule, sufficiently fond of the luxuries of this life—not to say greedy—to be easily cajoled into obedience. Remarkably intelligent, and caring enough for sport to be sympathetically excited at the sight of a rabbit without degenerating into cranks on the subject like terriers.

Student work

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Practice E

Source text

There appears to be no doubt that the French Bulldog originated in England, and is an offshoot of the English miniature variety Bulldog, not the Bulldog one sees on the bench to-day, but of the tulip-eared and short underjawed specimens which were common in London, Nottingham, Birmingham, and Sheffield in the early 'fifties. There was at that time a constant emigration of laceworkers from Nottingham to the coast towns of Normandy, where lace factories were springing into existence, and these immigrants frequently took a Bulldog with them to the land of their adoption.

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Student work

It seems that there is no doubt that the French Bulldog came from English and is a descendant of the English miniature Bulldog, but not the Bulldogs that we see today. When laceworkers from England moved to France to find jobs, they often took their Bulldogs with them.

Practice F

Source text

The history of the St. Bernard dog would not be complete without reference being made to the noble work that he has done in Switzerland, his native land: how the Hospice St. Bernard kept a considerable number of dogs which were trained to go over the mountains with small barrels round their necks, containing restoratives, in the event of their coming across any poor travellers who had either lost their way, or had been overcome by the cold. We have been told that the intelligent animals saved many lives in this way, the subjects of their deliverance often being found entirely buried in the snow.

Student work

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Avoiding plagiarism

- 1 **Manage your time** during the researching and writing process wisely.
- 2 **Employ effective research strategies.**
- 3 **Choose when to summarize, paraphrase, or quote** information from your sources.
- 4 **Provide proper citations** for your paraphrased, quoted, or summarized information.
- 5 **Use the Turnitin Similarity Report** to revise your mistakes.
- 6 **Own your academic integrity and ask questions** when you need help.