

Academic Honesty Scenarios

It is time to write your first paper for your English class. You are pressed for time and decide to use the same paper you wrote for your Ethnic Studies [or other] class earlier in the semester. Is this okay?

Sue has to write a paper on a topic of her choice but she needs to have at least three scholarly sources to back up her claims. She's just spent a substantial amount of time writing the paper and is now having a hard time finding sources that support her assertions. What should she do to avoid violating the academic honesty policy. How can she prevent similar frustrations from occurring in her future research assignments?

Your big research paper is due today. Class is about to begin and you overhear two of your classmates bragging about how their paper took them no time at all because they used a paper from a free internet site they found. How does this make you feel and what should you do about it?

You are working two jobs, trying to get involved in some student organizations and juggling a full load of classes. You have a huge research paper due tomorrow and you're just sitting down to get started on it. A friend of yours stops by your dorm room and it just so happens that he/she took the class last semester and hung onto the research paper. S/he offers to let you use it. What would be the potential consequences of using this friend's paper?