Copyright

- Form of protection provided by the United States to the authors of “original works of authorship” including literary, dramatic, musical, artistic, architectural and certain other intellectual works.

- Available for both published and unpublished works.
Penalty for Copyright Infringement

- The owner can determine the penalty
- Often the penalty involves large amounts of money due to being sued
Fair Use

- Copyright principle based on the belief that the public is entitled to freely use portions of copyrighted materials for purposes of commentary and criticism.

- Students, teachers, novelists, and others are included in this clause.
Conditions for Fair Use

- The purpose of the use
  - Nonprofit?
  - Educational?
  - Commercial?
- The nature of the work
- The portion used compared to the work as a whole
Multimedia In Classroom

- Copyright been adhered to?
  - Look for © symbol
  - Create a link to the site where multimedia was retrieved
Using someone else’s work

- Always paraphrase
- Quote if necessary
- Always have a citation – even if paraphrased
- End with a bibliography that includes citations of every work used
Musical Scores

- Can copy part of music score (sheet music) for study purposes
- Music teacher can make a copy for the class if school has a print music license
- Illegal to download sheet music
  - Except from:
    - Copyright free websites
    - Pay-for-copy cites
Film in the classroom

- If teacher is present and film was legally obtained it can be showed
  - Rented or bought legally
- Exempt from the copyright law
- Youtube video’s need to be correctly cited
Recorded TV or radio broadcast for classroom

- Illegal to show a TV recording or play a radio broadcast at school
  - School must have Screenrights Broadcast License
Permission for classroom use

- Contact publisher’s clearance department
- Get permission from them
Creating your own work: Be careful

- Link to other websites
  - Some will not allow this
  - Ask permission first

- Use free graphics on web page

- Can’t use information from another person’s page without permission and a citation