

COPYRIGHT QUIZ

1. In order to copyright the final draft of my new screenplay about living backwards in time, I need to print it out place it an envelope, mail it to myself with return receipt requested, then place it, unopened in a safe deposit box when it comes back.
 True False
2. A 1961-63 biographical diary of a retired official of the State department (a U.S. government agency) in my archives lacking a copyright notice or a © mark, is probably not in the public domain.
 True False
3. Our repository is going to scan and place on the web the entire correspondence file of a local businesswoman who gave us her papers in the hopes we would make them broadly available. We are a non-profit historical society and we are not going to charge for access. Can we put this on the web? Yes No
4. Our repository is going to scan and place on the web city directories for the 1890-1920 years, but we are going to charge a fee of \$1.00 per search in order to subsidized construction of the database. Even if our fee were \$50 per search, we would not need the publisher's permission. True False
5. As part of "archives of contemporary society" we have gathered copies of internet postings to various electronic discussion groups and assembled them into a database that we wish to present on the web as well as print to paper in our physical archives. Since the material was all posted to the internet, it is not covered by copyright.
 True False
6. The reason that Disney has been so aggressive in policing their copyright in Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck is that if they do not enforce their copyrights, they will lose them. True False
7. Because our local town has copyrighted the name "Central Park," we cannot use it on our website as an identifier for photographs we hold containing images of that place. True False
8. Since copyright infringement is a violation of only civil law, the legal consequences are minimal.
 True False
9. The fact that my Internet posting of a famous author's manuscripts from our archives presents her in a favorable light and does not compete with her products currently on the market does not make it OK for me to post them.
 True False
10. My cell phone provider sent me an e-mail containing two poorly written paragraphs that are their feeble justification for raising my rates. I intend to e-mail copies of this to all of my friends, and all of the provider's subscribers whom I know. Since the item was sent to me via the internet, I can copy the message in full for this purpose. True False
11. My 14 year-old-daughter has developed a software patch that allows people to convert and copy their own copy-protected CDs to their portable USB music players. It is ok for her to use this patch to make copies of her music CDs so she can listen to them on her MP3 player. True False
12. It is OK for her to post her software patch to the Internet so that others can use it to make multiple copies of their music CDs. True False