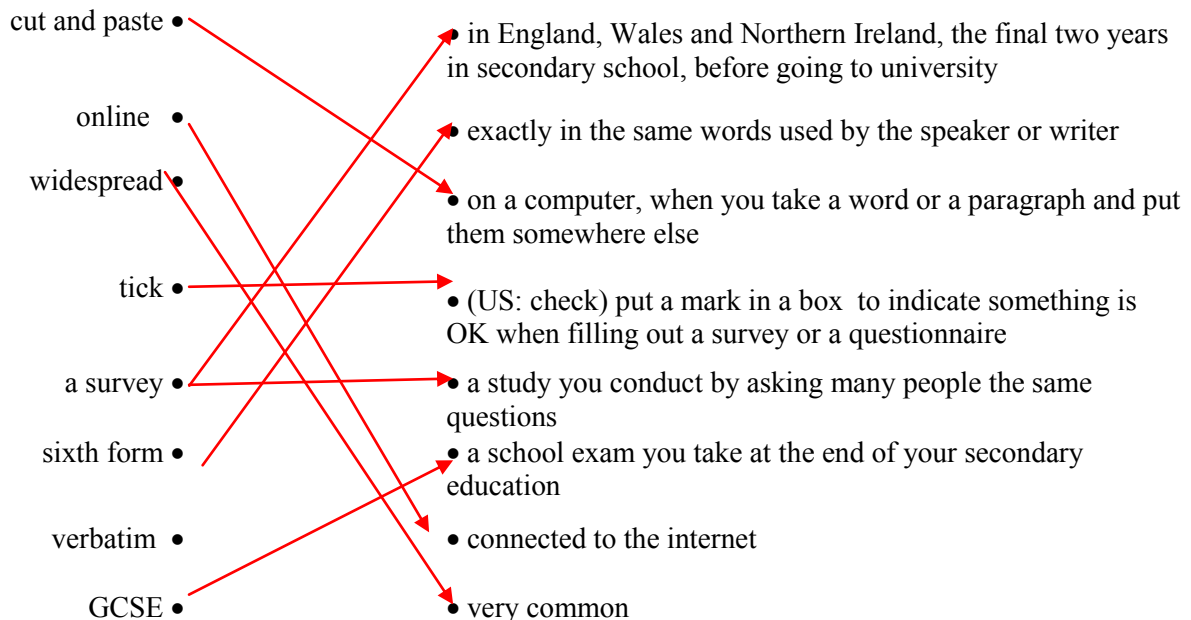


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Warmup

1. Before watching the video, match the words on the left to their definitions on the right.



Zoom in

Part 1

2. “Teachers already call this the cut ‘n’ paste generation”. What does the word “this” refer to?

- Copying from the internet.
- Today’s generation of teachers.
- Today’s generation of pupils.**

→ Explain what teachers mean by that.

Teachers mean that it’s almost natural for today’s students to cut and paste information from the internet.

3. Pick out a term meaning *copying from the internet*.

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4.a. Copying from the internet is: non-existent. very uncommon. **very common.**

b. Quote two expressions to justify your answer.

- **normal**
- **widespread**

5. The teacher wasn’t sure the students hadn’t done the work themselves. True. **False.**

→ Justify by quoting the teacher.

“work that clearly wasn’t their own”

6. How much was plagiarised...

- in the first case? **100%**
- in the second case? **75%**

7. How did the teacher know in the first case?

“[The teacher] found a **website** where the **coursework** was **verbatim** in its original form.”

→ Explain in your own words what the teacher found.

Part 2

8. What do the following figures correspond to?

300: **the number of teachers who were asked about plagiarism**

58%: **the percentage of teachers who said plagiarism was a problem**

28%: **the percentage of teachers who said more than half of the work they got was copied from the internet**

9. a. Complete the sentence: “You get your bit of **paper** from the **GCSE** people saying, ‘have you **plagiarised**, and all this... People just **tick** it and they think... and then if you think, ‘maybe I **have** but they won’t find **out**’ ”

b. Imagine what is written on this paper and say what its purpose is.

10. Tick all the reasons why students plagiarise, according to the report.

<input type="checkbox"/> The homework they have is too difficult.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> They think they won’t get caught.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plagiarising is very easy.	<input type="checkbox"/> All their friends do it.
<input type="checkbox"/> They do it to rebel against the institution.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> They have more time to do other things than studying.

Part 3

11. What term is the word *plagiarism* opposed to? **legitimate research**

12. a. Many teachers think that...

Students know the difference between the two and know exactly what they’re doing.

Students don’t know the difference, and don’t do it on purpose.

b. Complete the sentence to justify your answer: “[They do it] through **negligence** rather than a **desire** to **cheat**.”

Look back

13. How is the problem presented?

The problem is presented as: alarming. serious. minor. **widespread** (*très répandu*).

→ Justify your answer.

Many statistics are quoted, and the numbers are quite high: 100%; 75%; 57%.