



# COPYRIGHT & CREATIVE COMMONS FOR TEACHERS

## **Using copyrighted works in the classroom**

As educators, we often have very specific questions around copyrights, such as using images, videos, and texts when teaching. To find out more about navigating copyrights in your classroom (be it in-person or online), consult these resources:

1. [Copibec website](#) - Detailed overview of Quebec copyright law in education
2. [Copyright Matters pamphlet](#) - Answers to teachers' top questions around copyright
3. [Fair Dealing Decision Tool](#) - Self guided tool for specific copyright questions

## **Creating digital resources to use in the classroom**

**When creating resources based on copyrighted works:** Be respectful of the creations of others, following the guidelines indicated in the three online resources above. Resources containing copyrighted works should not be made freely available on the web or sold for profit.

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- Music → [Incompetech](#)\*, [Bensound](#)\*, [FreeMusicArchive](#)\*, [digccmixter](#)\*
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