

Can I share this copyrighted material?

Did the copyright owner make it available freely on the internet?

Did the copyright owner provide written permission to copy and distribute it?

Is everyone you want to share it with part of the subscription user group?

NO

MAYBE?

YES

Ask permission!

What about fair use?

Give credit, with citation!

Non-profit educational purpose?

NO

YES

What is the nature of the work?

Fictional, artistic

Fact-based, research

How much are you sharing?

More than 10% of whole

Less than 10% of whole

Will sharing undermine copyright owner's profit or market access?

YES

Maybe?

NO

But who's the owner?

How do I cite this?

Ask a Librarian!