

Academic Integrity Scenarios: What Would You Do?

Use the worksheet below to take notes on the class discussion of the academic integrity scenarios.

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A group research project is due tomorrow, but your group has been unable to gather all of the data you need. One group member says that he read some statistics a while back that would support your thesis, but he can't remember the statistics precisely or what the source was. He suggests using what he remembers and crediting an author he thinks might have written it. Another student in the group agrees because she thinks the instructor rarely checks sources anyway. The last group member thinks you should include the information but not cite a source since you're not sure which one it is. What would you do?

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You just completed a final exam. Your friend is scheduled to take the same test from the same instructor two hours later. She asks you what to expect on the test. What would you do?

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