

# Copyright Dos and Don'ts

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<http://visalia.k12.ca.us/library/policies/copyright.htm> Visalia Unified School District Copyright page.

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<http://www.sesac.com>

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## Books and copyright brochures from Linworth Publishers: [www.linworth.com](http://www.linworth.com)

Simpson, Carol. *Copyright Responsibilities for Educators ... Quick Pocket Guide*. 2005. Pack of 25 \$9.95

Simpson, Carol. *Copyright Catechism: Practical Answers to Everyday School Dilemmas*. 2005. \$36.95

Simpson, Carol. *Copyright for Schools: A Practical Guide, Fourth Edition*. 2005. \$44.95

## Books from the American Library Association [www.ala.org](http://www.ala.org):

Kenneth Crews. *Copyright Law for Librarians and Educators: Creative Strategies and Practical Solutions*. 2005. \$45 (\$40.50 for members)

Carrie Russell. *Complete Copyright: An Everyday Guide for Librarians*. 2004. \$50 (\$45 for members)

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Websites on copyright:

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<http://www.copyright.gov/circs/circ21.pdf>

Many colleges have excellent copyright sites. Stanford's is one of the best: <http://fairuse.stanford.edu>

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<http://www.grad.ilstu.edu/downloads/copyrightpermissiontool.pdf>

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