What is Creative Commons?

The protection of original content online is quite difficult and contemporary copyright laws are not effective at addressing the complexities of online information distribution.

Creative Commons (CC) was founded in 2001 with the ideas that knowledge is increased when information is shared freely within a community and that how an individual’s work is used should be up to the individual who created it.

According to its mission, CC is “dedicated to making it easier for people to share and build upon the work of others, consistent with the rules of copyright.” (link to source for this content is here: http://williamwolff.org/courses/creative-commons-licenses/)

Video

Video link to video about Copyright Law is here.

Images

Two images follow on this page. One lists the various licenses that fall under Creative Commons. The second lists those licenses from “most open” to “least open.”

The licenses:

1. Attribution - Can someone use my work to make money? (Yes) Can someone change my work? (Yes).
2. Attribution-Sharealike – Must also be licensed “BY-SA”. Can someone use my work to make money? (Yes). Can someone change my work? (Yes).

Most Open to Least Open:

CCO, BY, BY-SA, BY-ND, BY-NC, BY-NC-SA, BY-NC-ND

Links to Multimedia Resources
Links to CC0 Works

Pixabay – link is here

Flickr – link is here

Wikimedia – link is here

Using Google Images Filters

Link to video tutorial is here.