## **Plagiarism Checkers**

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## Purdue University Online Writing Lab

https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research\_and\_citation/using\_paper\_checkers\_responsibly.html This is not a plagiarism checker, but rather the Purdue OWL webpage has important tips and advice about choosing and using plagiarism and paper checkers of all types.

*CopyLeaks* (https://copyleaks.com/education/plagiarism-checker-for-students) Advertises as free, but only the first 10 pages are free and to get the full report even on those you must upgrade to fee-based service.

*CopyScape* (https://www.copyscape.com/) This plagiarism checker is for websites – checking your own website or searching the web for sites that is plagiarizing your website's content.

*Dupli Checkr* (https://www.duplichecker.com/) Provides the option of downloading a free report in either PDF or Word, if you want to attach it to your paper for professor/teacher. However, the user must contend with the ad-laden interface.

*EasyBib* (https://www.easybib.com/grammar-and-plagiarism/plagiarism-checker/) Advertises as free, but if you dig down, you will find that only the first five *grammar suggestions* are free.

*Grammarly* (https://grammarlyplagiarismchecker.com/) Website states it is a free service, but during a test of the service, the website downloaded software to user's computer without the user's permission.

*Grammica* (https://grammica.com/plagiarism-checker) Touted as a free service, but a simple test of the service revealed that this plagiarism checker is bewilderingly unreliable: Entered the first two sentences from *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens ("It was the best of times, it was the worst of times...") as a test and this plagiarism checker reported it was "100% unique?" Also, the user is bombarded with ads that attempt to trick the user into clicking on them when using the checker.

*PapersOwl* (https://papersowl.com/free-plagiarism-checker) The free portion is very limited. After your first two checks you are required to register to continue, and the user is bombarded with ads.

*Plagiarism Checker X* (https://plagiarismcheckerx.com/faq) Free checker is limited, but the company is upfront about limitations of the free service. Potential downside is you must download software to your personal computer, but again they tell you this upfront.

*Plagiarismcheck.org* (https://plagiarismcheck.org/) One free page, then you must register for a fee-based plan. The company is based in Great Britain and offers a 14-day money back guarantee – not sure if that is valid in U.S., though.

*Plagium* (https://www.plagium.com/en/plagiarismchecker) Allows users to perform the "occasional" free plagiarism search and "as long as you do not have too many searches," you will not be charged. However, what constitutes "too many searches" is not stated.

*Plagramme* (https://www.plagramme.com/) The free service is very limited, and one cannot even test the checker without registering for an account.

*ProWriting Aid* (https://prowritingaid.com/en/App/PlagiarismChecker) Users must register for a free account and the free service is limited to 500-word documents only, which the website clearly states.

*PlagScan* (https://www.plagscan.com/plagiarism-check/) Only the first 2,000 words are free and you must register to even try it the service, which is clearly stated on the website.

*Quetext* (https://www.quetext.com/plagiarism-checker) This service is free but requires you to register to use it.

*Scribbr* (https://www.scribbr.com/plagiarism-checker/) Free service is very limited and consists of a report of the percentage of potential risks that does not tell you where the problem is – you must upgrade to the fee-based service for a full report.

*Turn It In* (https://www.turnitin.com/) This is a fee-based service that is used by Delta State University, which they provide free to their faculty.

*Unicheck* (https://unicheck.com/) Marketed as a free plagiarism checker, but after two checks you must sign up for the fee-based service.