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Academic integrity, part one

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Hi, I'm Rene Caputo, ESL specialist with Duke's Thompson Writing Program and Duke's Writing Studio. Today we're going to take a look at:

Maintaining your academic integrity: How can you avoid plagiarism?

So let's take a look at this definition from the MacMillan Dictionary online. You can see three important words in the first part of this definition.

That plagiarism is: the process of taking another person's **work, ideas, and words**, and using them as if they were your own. Someone who does this is called a plagiarist.

Very important here that we're talking about a person's work, so we might mean a computer program or an algorithm.

The person's ideas, so you might not have used their words, but you've used their ideas. Or that actual words that someone has written.

Plagiarism can come in many forms. And I'd like you to go ahead to the quizzes section and take the short quiz on plagiarism. And then I'll see you back here.