

Digital Graphics coursework

- You can present your work in a variety of ways – it can be handwritten, word-processed, on video or in digital media. What you choose should be appropriate to the task(s) and your teacher can advise you. If the assignment evidence is word-processed, you must ensure that your centre number, candidate number and the unit code appear on each page as a header or footer.

Unit code: R082

Centre number: 18203

Q I've been told I must not plagiarise. What does this mean?

A Plagiarism is when you take someone else's work and pass it off as your own. The work could come from the internet, a book, another student's coursework, course handouts and OCR teaching resources. It doesn't matter where it came from, it's what you do with it that could make it plagiarism.

There are a few ways plagiarism can happen that you need to know about:

- A student is asked to describe or explain something and they find good information on the internet or from a book. They use it in the evidence they give to their teacher to mark. They don't follow rules about saying where it came from. The 'rules' are about how to reference somebody else's work.
- A student uses information from a book and changes words but copies the sentence structure of a source and doesn't reference where the original work came from.
- A student copies so many words or ideas from a source that it makes up the majority of their work. In this case it does not matter if they have referenced it or not. When the majority of work is somebody else's ideas or thoughts it is not the student's own work.

Plagiarism has serious consequences: you could lose marks/the grade for this unit or you may not be allowed to achieve the whole qualification.

The work you produce must be your own work. You will be asked to sign a declaration to say that it is.

Q What is referencing and where can I find out more information about it?

A Referencing is the process of acknowledging the work of others. If you use someone else's words and ideas in your assignment, you must acknowledge it, and this is done through referencing.

You should think about why you want to use and reference other people's work. You can only be given marks for what you know and understand yourself, which cannot be shown by copying the words and ideas of others. Make sure it's clear in your work how you are using the material you have referenced to inform your thoughts, ideas or conclusions.

You can find more information about how to reference in the OCR Guide to Referencing available on our website: <https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/168840-the-ocr-guide-to-referencing.pdf>