

FREE ANTI-PLAGIARISM WEBSITES AND TOOLS FOR EACH RESEARCHER: AN INTRODUCTION

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Abstract - This paper discusses the most effective and up-to-date list of free plagiarism checker websites and tools that help to detect copied and unoriginal content. Focus is given on to introduce plagiarism, its types and some websites devoted to this issue. This paper creates awareness of plagiarism software among research scholars, faculty members and helps them to have successful academic careers in future by avoiding plagiarism.

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1.INTRODUCTION

Plagiarism is a serious problem identified amongst research community. Plagiarism has been around for centuries, but with the use of Internet and easy access to material in electronic format has made it easier to plagiarize materials of others.

Sometimes our writing styles can match someone else's writing style and may result in duplicate content. Mostly it happens because with the number of rise of websites and blogs. Many times our writing styles match influential article we have recently read.

Whatever may be the cause of copied content, it is always a pain for both the ends. That is why it is utmost necessary to put a check on plagiarism. This paper will walk you through the best online plagiarism checker tools and services that you can use to detect duplicate content and create original articles.

Plagiarism has become a world-wide problem and is increasing day by day. This problem is increasing further mainly because of the increase in the number of online publications. Using Plagiarism detection technique we can compare the given document with the target/original document.

On the other hand plagiarism detection is now as easy as plagiarizing a document. There are a number of anti-plagiarism software available either freely or commercially, which can be used for plagiarism detection. But the

commercial software are too expensive. So it is not affordable for an individual to purchase that software. This paper highlights the plagiarism detection software which are freely available online, that can be downloaded free of cost.

2.WHAT IS PLAGIARISM?

Plagiarism meaning

Plagiarism is borrowed from the Latin Language, meaning "to Kidnap". According to the *Merriam Webster Online Dictionary*, plagiarism means

- To snatch and pass off the words and ideas of another as one's own idea.
- Use another's work without crediting the source.
- To commit classical or scholarly theft.
- Presenting as new or original idea or product derived from an existing source.

Plagiarism essentially means "imitation of someone else's work" without giving the real writer his credits.

3.PLAGIARISM TYPES

1. **Clone plagiarism** – Taking someone else's work entirely.
2. **Copy-and-paste plagiarism** – Copying large parts of someone else's work.
3. **Re-tweets plagiarism** – Contains correctly quoted text, but relies too much on someone else's work.
4. **Recycle or auto plagiarism** – Publishing the same work many times.
5. **Find-replace or word-switch plagiarism** –Using synonyms for words in someone else's work.
6. **Hybrid plagiarism** – Combining judiciously quoted and unquoted parts of someone else's text.
7. **Mashup plagiarism** – Copying material from different sources.
8. **Error plagiarism** – Using incorrect citation.
9. **Aggregator plagiarism** – No originality in the work, although it contains references to the original work.

10. **Style plagiarism** – Paraphrasing to the extent that the original text is unrecognizable, but the structure of both documents is similar (essential schemes, main arguments, or examples coincide).
11. **Translation plagiarism** – Translating someone else's work into another language.
12. **Idea plagiarism** – The main idea of the work is not original, but it is masked by the plagiarist's knowledge.
13. **Graphics plagiarism** – Using a figure or a picture without permission.
14. **Source-code plagiarism** – Taking the source code in computer programming.
15. **Ghostwrite plagiarism** – Contracting another person or website to produce the work for someone.

4. TOP FREE PLAGIARISM DETECTION TOOLS:

4.1. GRAMMARLY:

Besides detecting the plagiarism issues of the texts, Grammarly also proofreads the entire text and offers the option to correct more than 205 types of grammatical errors. This tool can check plagiarism against more than 8 billion web pages in just a few seconds and instantly provides you the report. In the field of plagiarism detection, it is considered to be one among the top plagiarism detection tools.

It is also known as one of the best automated proofreaders and corrects the errors on an instant basis. If you are a professional content writer, it can be very helpful to get your text proofread and thereby eliminate the grammatical as well as the spelling errors. Also, you can help you a lot in enhancing your vocabulary.

For teachers and students, it acts as the most efficient duplicate content checker tool you can find online and shows you the percentage of copied content in the essays, journals or writing assignments. Grammarly is by far the best plagiarism checker software along with grammar checker features.

4.2. PLAGSCAN:

Plag Scan renders an easy and accurate alternative to check plagiarism and gather reports. Something that further enriches the user experience is its constant and excellent customer support services. Embellished with various lavish features, it also offers the option to customize its features as per one's requirements and ease of use. You can check the trial version before you jump to subscribing this. This is a highly recommended plagiarism detection tool for teachers, professors, and academic professionals.

4.3. WHITESMOKE:

White smoke is a very useful online grammar and language checker tool. The only reason it is here is it also has a very robust plagiarism checker feature. This software for detection of copied content sniffs away any duplicate content that could harm your site's ranking or online reputation. It is also a close competitor and a decent alternative for Grammarly plagiarism checker.

4.4. ARTICLE CHECKER:

Free from the compulsions of registration or subscription, it is a great pleasure to use the Article Checker with great ease. It does not even require uploading the file before checking. You can simply copy and paste the text and get it checked in seconds. It is one of the most convenient plagiarism checker tools to detect the duplication. One drawback that discourages some users is its dissatisfying results at times.

4.5. PLAGIARISM CHECKER:

This for software is 100% free to use it does not require any download or installation and easy to use as detailed instructions are given. It is ideal for educators to check whether a student's paper has been copied from the internet. The "Author" option allows for checking if others have plagiarized your work online. It searches phrases separately, which means that you need to hit "Enter" after each phrase.

4.6. DUPLICHECKER:

If you are looking for a plagiarism checker tool entirely free of cost; the DupliChecker would satisfy you fully. This is a hundred percent free tool and does not charge you any single penny. Using this tool is also very easy. You can simply copy-paste, or upload your thesis, article, or the content of the website and get it analyzed and get the report in just a few seconds. Registered users can perform 50 searches per day and unregistered users can perform only 1 search per day. It is not a free alternative to Grammarly, but you can use it to detect duplicate content and check it for traces of copied content.

4.7. PLAGIARISM CHECK:

Unlike many other free plagiarism checker tools, Plagiarism Check does not put any restrictions by putting the word count limit. It can be immensely useful if you wish to check an unlimited number of pages or papers. Moreover, you do not have to worry about the file formats. It has all the features to accept any kind of formats. Some of the plagiarism tools may again not be accessible from all locations. With Plagiarism Check, you are free from the constraints of places, you can access from any location across the globe. This is the best Copyscape alternative for

people hiring freelance writers. You can check for the authenticity of the writing submitted to you. Furthermore, if you desire to download the plagiarism report, you can do so quite easily and instantly. However, what causes worries to many of the users is that this product does not render any kind of warranty, and this is a setback in case you are thinking to file a lawsuit. This is therefore called the number one free plagiarism checker available.

4.8.COPY LEAKS:

This software offers entire website plagiarism scan. It can find content duplication in more than 60 trillion pages over the internet and supports of multiple file formats in any language. Copy Leaks API allows you to integrate Copy Leaks service and include it as part of your product. It supports only for online content. For using user need to create an account to use it. It is free of charge at the moment, will soon add premium subscription to the service for long term use.

4.9.SMALL SEO TOOLS:

This site is unique in its own way. It is a platform where one can get several tools with highly lavish features. Besides providing a plagiarism detection tool, it also offers a host of other useful SEO tools such as the Article Rewriter, Keyword Position, Online Ping Website Tool, Back link Checker, Back link Maker, Link Tracker, Google Page Rank Checker, Domain authority checker, Word Count Checker, Spell Checker tool, and many more. Although its plagiarism checker is quite a basic type, the people love it as it is totally free of cost.

Once you copy-text then paste in the given space and click the 'Check for Plagiarism' button, it would check the text in seconds. You can see the copied text in red.

4.10.PLAGTRACKER:

This software is very quick to scan more than 20 million academic works for any plagiarized copy. Clear instructions are given on how to use it. This offers report with details about your work. But the report of is not 100% accurate; you may need to use an extra plagiarism detection tool to make sure your content is authentic.

4.11.PLAGIARISMA:

It offers a free download of plagiarism software for Windows and 190+ languages supported. It searches website content from a URL. The report is for exact matches only. The Synonymies tool (rewrites sentences with synonyms to generate unique text) facilitates plagiarism. Even when registered you cannot scan documents for more than 3 times per day.

4.12.PLAGIUM:

Equipped with several features, Plagium also is a free tool for checking plagiarism. Once you enter the copy of the content, it does its work quite instantly and puts forth the result in seconds. One of the salient features of this tool is that, besides checking the web, it can also effectively check for content published on even the social media sites such as the Facebook and Twitter etc. This is one of the best tools for duplicate content detection.

4.13.PLAGIARISM CHECKER:

With the facilities and features to check the web pages, handouts, articles, and documents etc.; Plagiarism Checker detects the duplicates quite instantly and puts forth the plagiarism report immediately. It is an immensely beneficial anti-plagiarism tool for the teachers and authors. But, sadly enough, it is not available for free.

4.14.PAPER RATER:

Paper rater is free software to check plagiarism or copied content. It has three useful tools namely, grammar checking, writing suggestions and plagiarism detection. It is very handy tool that detects unoriginal content in student and academic documents like school projects and other essays.

4.15.DUST BALL:

Dust ball is a very popular copied content checker. It has no gimmicks and does what it needs to – checking for plagiarized content. The free version is effective for detecting any traces of unoriginal content but they have a paid version as well. The premium plagiarism checker version is also worth trying.

4.16.PLAGIARISM CHECKER PLUG-IN FOR WORD PRESS:

The bliss of Word Press users never ends. It has a plug-in for literally any task you can think of. There is a plagiarism checker plug-in for Word Press that detects any copied content or even unoriginal tone in your writing. This is the best FREE plagiarism checker plug-in for Word Press.

This free plugin sits on your dashboard and alerts you on the appearance of any copied sentence or phrases in your blog post. This way it does a lot to save you from the wrath of search engine penalties due to copied content.

4.17.VIPER:

This software is also 100% free. It scans your document through more than 10 billion resources such as academic essays and other online sources. The best feature of this is it offers side-by-side comparisons for plagiarism. To use it you need to download. This is available to Microsoft Windows users only.

4.18.CHECK FOR PLAGIARISM.NET:

Developed by the combined efforts of professionals, computer scientists, and the academicians, Check For Plagiarism is appared with a great number of features. It is equally helpful to the students, teachers, professionals, writers, and the publishers etc. to keep a check on the evil of plagiarism. With its 24x7 customer support services through online chat, email and phone facilities; it is one of the highly popular plagiarism detection product with excellent accuracy and user-friendliness. However, the absence of free trial version may prove to be discouraging to some users.

4.19.COPY SCAPE:

Detecting the redundant contents on your blog or website would be a matter of seconds with Copyscape. You can simply enter the URL of the site you desire to check or use the inbuilt Siteliner, and the Copyscape would bring forth how much of your content has similarity with the other websites or how much of your content has been copied. Removing the redundant content thus becomes easier, and you can also use the banners to scare away the content thieves. Siteliner can scan all your pages of your website to check for any copied trace or violation of content ownership of your website.

4.20.QUET EXT:

This is 100% free and have easy to use interface. This provides unlimited usage without having to create an account or download software. You cannot upload files, only copy and paste text.

4.21.SEARCH ENGINE REPORTS:

This is one of online plagiarism detection software or tool as we can say, which checks for your copied traces of your content across multiple search engines. It checks for plagiarism and copied content across yahoo and Bing too. The logic behind it is that, it divides the text submitted by you into smaller bunches and checks for any similar content or review plagiarism of essay already published across the web.

5.CONCLUSION:

The software, websites and tools that are mentioned and referred to in this paper are all valuable resources to discover plagiarized materials. By employing these one can ascertain that none of the articles, documents or research work in any form and capacity, is not plagiarized and thereby the copyright of the publisher and the authors are not violated.

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