

## Creative Thinking Film Class Discussion Bits and Pieces

### Story Film – *Intellectual Vengeance*

Student should use this handout to follow along with the film to jot down notes, questions, etc.

This plagiarism film unfolds with a student who deliberately plagiarizes a paper for another student thus tarnishing his reputation. The story was written and presented in the style of an ABC television after-school special from the 1970/80s. Film topics include academic dishonesty, plagiarism, cutting-n-pasting off the web, and academic/career consequences of plagiarism. After viewing the film, the class could discuss more about both the consequences and ethics of plagiarism. If your school or class has a plagiarism policy, compare its consequences to that of the story. Then, talk about ethics such as deceit towards other students and the teacher, providing credit of others' works cited, etc.

1. How do you distinguish your own ideas from others?
2. Is Tammy's writing assistance request ethical?
3. Is Andy's writing assistance offer ethical?
4. What is plagiarism and its consequences?
5. Plagiarism is copying another's work and providing no attribution.
6. Academic honesty policy violation may be enforced and are severe.
7. Plagiarism = Academic Dishonesty; no matter intentional or unintentional.
8. Plagiarism is unethical. How is it unfair to honest students?
9. What about the authors from which are copied without credit? What is your opinion?