**Introduction Assignment #4 – Copyright and Legal Issues**

**Value 20 Marks**

1. Research and define the following terms and acronyms in your own words. This link may help but you may also use Google and [Canadian Intellectual Property Rights - A Guide to Copyrights (http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/wr02393.html)](http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/wr02393.html).

a) copyright

b) bittorrent

c) public domain

d) creative commons

1. How long does copyright last in Canada? Check here: [Canadian Intellectual Property Office - A Guide to Copyright](http://www.cipo.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/h_wr02281.html#faq) Direct link: <http://www.cipo.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/h_wr02281.html#faq>
2. In 2012, the government of Canada passed Bill C-11, the Copyright Modernization Act (CMA). Use the following link about the CMA to answer the questions below. [CMA Fact Sheets](http://balancedcopyright.gc.ca/eic/site/crp-prda.nsf/eng/h_rp01157.html)

**NOTE: You must answer with more than yes or no, providing details or explanations to support your answer.**

1. What is a digital lock? List two examples of items that use a digital lock. (Fact Sheet: Digital Locks)
2. List three things consumers are permitted to do legally under the CMA. (Fact Sheet: Consumers)
3. Two students decide to make a parody video of Gangnam Style, not realizing that the video and song were actually out of style. In the video they use the original song, which is protected under copyright. According to the CMA, is this legal? (Fact Sheet: Consumers)
4. What is meant by a “mash up”? If you created one and posted it on YouTube, would this be considered legal or illegal under the new law? (Fact Sheet: Consumers)
5. Your English teacher copies an article from a magazine and distributes it to the class. Is this legal under the CMA? (Fact Sheet: Teacher and Students)
6. Gary downloads three songs using bittorrent software (peer-to-peer sharing). He is caught illegally downloading the songs and forced to pay a penalty. According to the CMA, what is the possible range of monetary penalties Gary could be forced to pay by the courts **once this law is enforced**? (Fact Sheet: About Penalties and Remedies for Infringement)
7. Sally illegally downloads a movie on the Internet. Her Internet is provided by a company called Techflash, an Internet Service Provider (ISP). She is caught downloading by the producers of the movie who want Sally to pay a penalty, claiming copyright infringement. Can Techflash be forced to give her identity and information to the producers? If so, how? (Fact Sheet: Internet Service Providers, Search Engines and Broadcaster)
8. In the United States, a recent law made it illegal to unlock a cell phone to switch carriers (companies) without the permission of the carrier. This is punishable by fines or even prison. In Canada, Joan has a cell phone with Rogers. With six months left in her contract, she pays it off and gets her phone unlocked to use with a different carrier. Under the CMA, has she broken the law? Explain. (Fact Sheet: Digital Locks)
9. Rob bought a DVD of a The Hunger games and a CD of the movie’s soundtrack. He decides to rip the DVD and CD so he can have a digital copy of the movie and music on his computer. His friend tells him he’s in trouble as the products are both copyrighted material and someone from the Internet will find out and force him to pay big fines. Rob disagrees. Under the CMA, who’s right? (Fact Sheet: Consumers)
10. Once the CMA is enforced, will it be legal for a teacher in a classroom to show a copyrighted movie for educational purposes to students? (Fact Sheet: Teacher and Students)