

Copyrighted material in teaching

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Take a few minutes to read through this fantastic (and brief) summary from the University's Open Educational Resources team about [Copyright in Teaching](#) and the three sub-pages detailing more about using [book journals and texts](#), [videos, broadcasts and sounds](#), and [images](#). (If you need some background, check out [What Is Copyright?](#)) The University's Open Educational Resources team run workshops on these topics, which you may be interested in attending; you can find more information about them [here](#).

Readings

You should use the Library's Resource List service for any essential / suggested readings. If you do not currently use this service, please familiarise yourself with it at your earliest convenience. It offers a lot of flexibility in terms of structure and layout to suit your course design. More information can be found on [our blog post about Resource Lists](#).

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Below are a couple places you might be able to source materials to use in your teaching:

- Are there any TV or radio programmes you want to share with your students? Check out [Box of Broadcasts](#), which provides recordings you can share with your students (and unlike, say, BBC iPlayer videos, these won't get deleted after a set time period!). This is service that the UoE subscribes to and which all students and staff can access.
- The University's [Image Databases](#) list is a great place to find other useful resources, some of which you will have access to only through your UoE account and others, such as Pixabay, Unsplash, and Creative Commons, anyone in the world can access.