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* What IS Creative Commons?

And How Do I Use It?

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"Creative Commons is a non-profit that offers an alternative to full copyright."

--[CreativeCommons.org](https://creativecommons.org)

- * Creative Commons gives the user a set of copyright licenses and tools that create a balance inside the traditional “all rights reserved” setting that copyright law creates.
- * It lets you choose what rights you are granting with your creative work.
- * Licenses work alongside copyright and allow you to modify your copyright terms to best fit your needs.

* **Alternative Copyright**

- * Creative Commons (CC) is a non-profit organization which has released several copyright licenses known as Creative Commons licenses free of charge to the public so that they can distribute their creative work with some degree of copyright control (or give it up altogether).
- * Creative Commons licenses have given authors a choice on how they want to share their work with the public.
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- * There is no registration to use the Creative Commons licenses.
- * Licensing a work is as simple as selecting which of the six licenses best meets your goals, and then marking your work in some way so that others know that you have chosen to release the work under the terms of that license.
- * Answer a few simple questions on the path to choosing a license – first, do I want to allow commercial use or not, and then second, do I want to allow derivative works or not?
- * Try the [License Chooser Tool](#) from the CC website.
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* How Do I Use CC for MY original Work?

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