## **Definition of Plagiarism**

According to *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, plagiarism is defined as 1) stealing and using (the ideas or writings of another) as one's own; 2) appropriating passages of ideas from (another) and using them as one's own; 3) taking and using as one's own the writing or ideas of another (1001).

Please understand that I take plagiarism very seriously and will not tolerate it in my class. If you plagiarize, you must expect to pay the penalty.