

Upgrading from Ephorus to SimCheck

What you need to know about this new plagiarism checker

Plagiarism control

Plagiarism control services are useful online tools to help educators assess the originality of work submitted by students. itslearning integrates with several plagiarism services. These are add-on modules that can be purchased separately.

When enabled, teachers have the option of activating plagiarism control in any assignment they want to check against copying.

What is SimCheck and how is it different to Ephorus?

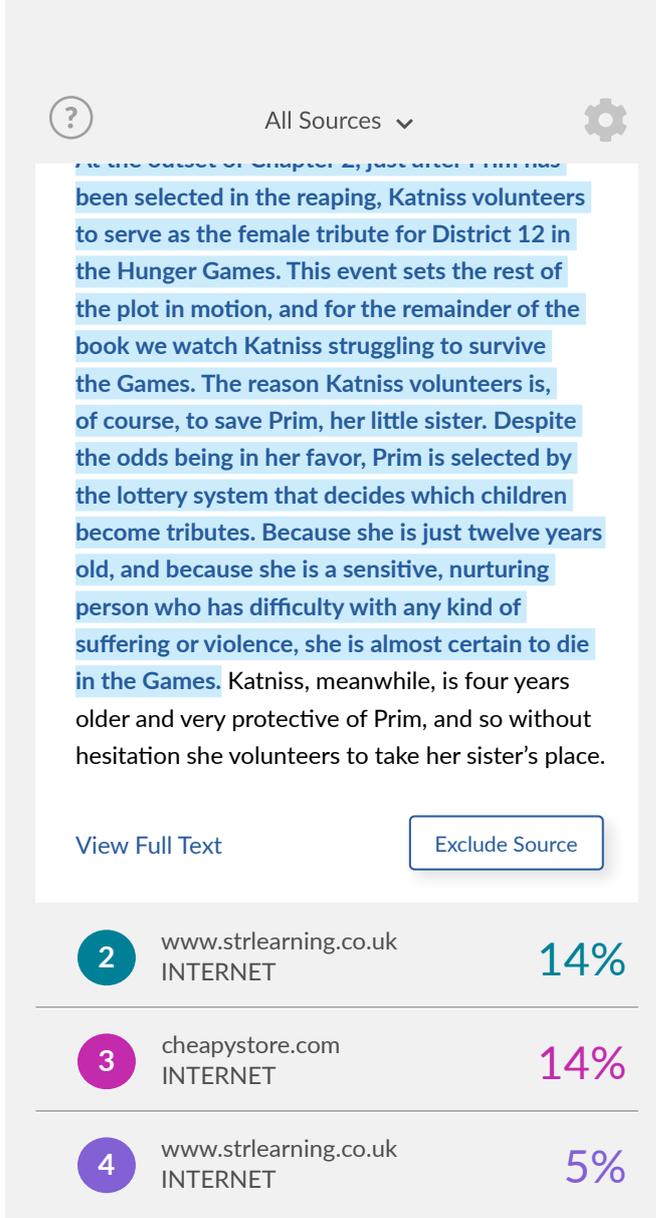
SimCheck is an upgrade and is supplied by the same company that operates Ephorus - Turnitin. (Ephorus will be discontinued this year.) It provides users with an intuitive report which lists text matches and an indicative similarity score. Integrated into the itslearning Assignment tool, SimCheck is easy and quick to use.

itslearning will automatically upgrade all Ephorus in itslearning users to SimCheck at no extra cost.

You don't have to worry about previously submitted assignments either, as all previously submitted assignment text will be added to SimCheck for cross-referencing.

Plagiarism Report

You will receive a concise report with a modern interface. Additionally, this report allows you to exclude a source (*Exclude source image*). This will update the plagiarism percentage in the report and will also update the plagiarism percentage in itslearning.



The screenshot shows a plagiarism report interface. At the top, there is a search icon, 'All Sources' with a dropdown arrow, and a settings gear icon. Below this is a text match snippet from 'The Hunger Games' with a blue highlight. At the bottom of the snippet are two buttons: 'View Full Text' and 'Exclude Source'. Below the snippet is a list of sources with their respective similarity percentages:

2	www.strlearning.co.uk INTERNET	14%
3	cheapystore.com INTERNET	14%
4	www.strlearning.co.uk INTERNET	5%

**Exclude source image*

SimCheck compares uploaded assignment text against:

- Publicly available Internet content
- Millions of publications in Turnitin's industry-leading repository
- A large number of scientific publications
- Previously submitted text to Ephorus in itslearning
- Any new work submitted to SimCheck

With this upgrade you will continue to have access to all your old Ephorus reports.

All new assignments submitted for plagiarism checking will be processed through SimCheck.