

# 6 Tenets of Postplagiarism: Writing in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

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In [\*Plagiarism in Higher Education: Tackling Tough Topics in Academic Integrity\*](#) (2021) I introduced the idea of life in a postplagiarism world. Here, I expand on those ideas.

## Hybrid Human-AI Writing Will Become Normal

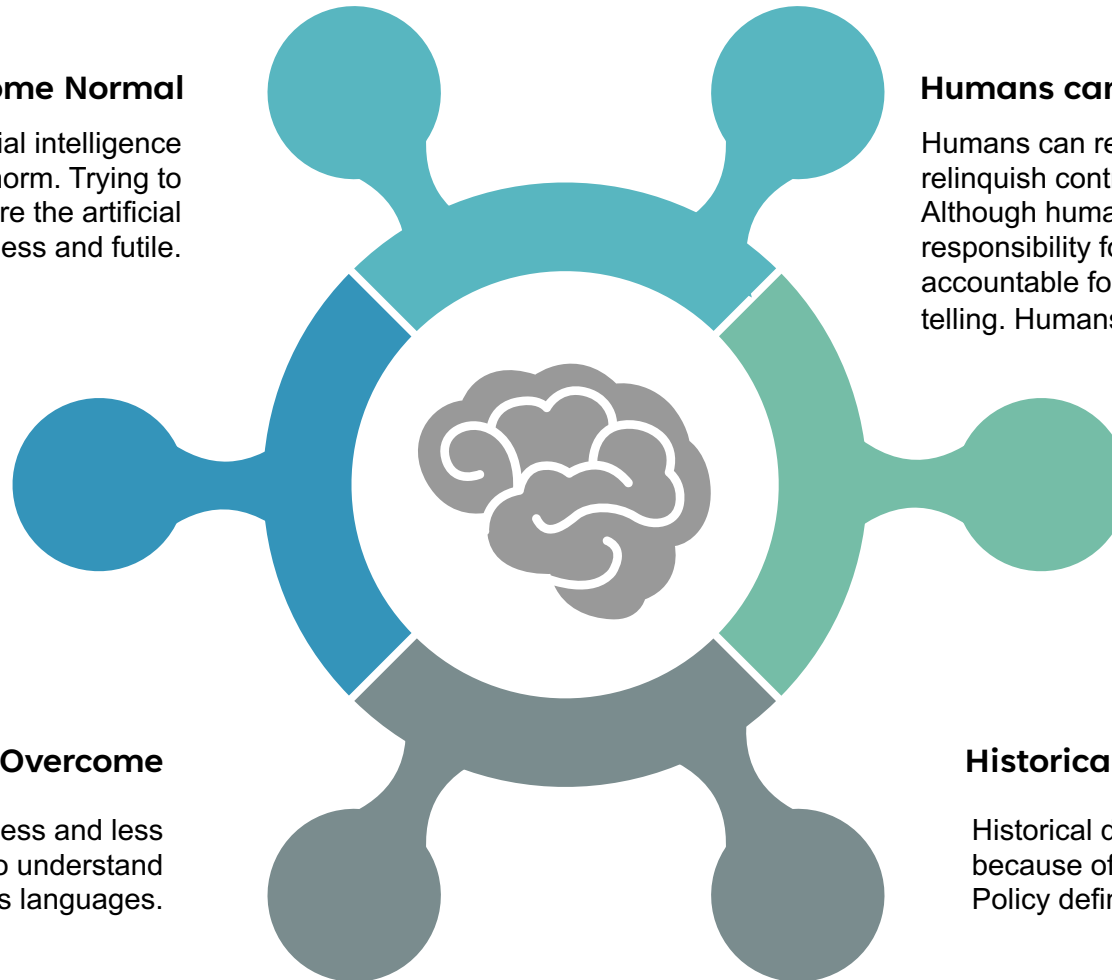
Hybrid writing, co-created by human and artificial intelligence together is becoming prevalent. Soon it will be the norm. Trying to determine where the human ends and where the artificial intelligence begins is pointless and futile.

## Human Creativity is Enhanced

Human creativity is enhanced, not threatened by artificial intelligence. Humans can be inspired and inspire others. Humans may even be inspired by artificial intelligence, but our ability to imagine, inspire, and create remains boundless and inexhaustible.

## Language Barriers Overcome

One's first language will begin to matter less and less as tools become available for humans to understand each other in countless languages.



## Humans can Relinquish Control, but not Responsibility

Humans can retain control over what they write, but they can also relinquish control to artificial intelligence tools if they choose. Although humans can relinquish control, they do not relinquish responsibility for what is written. Humans can – and must – remain accountable for fact-checking, verification procedures, and truth-telling. Humans are also responsible for how AI-tools are developed.

## Attribution Remains Important

It always has been, and always will be, appropriate and desirable to appreciate, admire, and respect our teachers, mentors, and guides. Humans learn in community with one another, even when they are learning alone. Citing, referencing, and attribution remain important skills.

## Historical Definitions of Plagiarism No Longer Apply

Historical definitions of plagiarism will not be rewritten because of artificial intelligence; they will be *transcended*. Policy definitions can – and must – adapt.