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CHAPTER 1

1.0 Introduction

This chapter begins with the background of the study that will describe the overview of plagiarism in general. Next, the problem statement addresses several issues and gaps identified in this study. Then it is followed by the research question, research objectives, scope of the study and significant of study.

1.1 Background of study

Plagiarism is an intentional action of using others ideas and words without clear acknowledgement on the source of information that has been taken. The information taken by the student are normally from the internet sources such as Wikipedia, blogs and article in which are being misuse by student whereby they exploit the ideas and words of the authors without recognizing and giving credit to the original author. Plagiarism also perceived as a form of intellectual dishonesty that involve unintentionally taking someone else's work without properly acknowledging where the ideas came from or intentionally copying someone else's work and passing it off as your own (Palmquist, 2003). Plagiarism is a serious problem among student nowadays as the rapid technology developments make it easier for student to get information from the internet. The growth of technology in this modern era revolve the students tend to plagiarize since the widespread availability of World Wide Web pages in this internet age causing plagiarism become rampant in the Universities and colleges level. Moreover, the development of alternative forms of assessment, with the down-playing of the formal time-