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HOW TO READ AND INTERPRET A SAFEASSIGN REPORT:

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2) Locate and access the completed safe assignment. To view the report click on the SafeAssign symbol in the SA Report column.
3) SafeAssign Originality reports are divided into three sections: Paper Information, Suspected Sources, and Paper Text.

4) The **Paper Information** section lists the author, or student that has submitted the paper. The name of the SafeAssignment is listed. It also lists the title of the paper and when it was submitted. This section also shows the percentage of matching that has been found. You may also Print the report by selecting the print icon in the top right of the screen.

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6) The **Paper Text** section displays your Submission, with all matched text identified. Clicking a matched block of text, such as a specific sentence, will provide a menu showing the source of the matched text, and a percentage identifying the probability that the text was copied from that source. The number next to a highlighted area text corresponds to the source in the Citations section with that same number.

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