

COPYRIGHT AND MUSIC

A leading country and western musician writes the music and lyrics for a new song. He copyrights the song. He also records the song and sells the recordings to the public for \$10 a tape.

Analyze each of the following by asking whether the activity violates copyright law.

- 1) Alison Krause wishes to sing the song on her television show.
- 2) Johnny Cash wishes to perform the song in his own unique style and release it on his new tape.
- 3) Blackbeard makes 10,000 copies of the recording in his garage and sells them to street vendors for \$1 a copy.
- 4) The local radio station wishes to play the song over the air.
- 5) A local disco wishes to play the song at its club.
- 6) A restaurant uses live bands. The band wishes to play the song.
- 7) A small restaurant on Dickson Street wishes to play the recording for its customers.
- 8) An amusement park wishes to play the recording for background music.
- 9) A church choir buys the sheet music and wishes to sing it in Sunday morning services.
- 10) The choir soloist has been asked to sing the song at a wedding.
- 11) A fraternity wishes to play the recording at a party.
- 12) The Girl Scouts at summer camp wish to sing the song.
- 13) A family wishes to sing the song at the teenager's birthday party.
- 14) A music professor wishes to play the recording in class.
- 15) The University band wishes to play the song at half-time of a football game.