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I gave a friend a CD of a band I produced. He showed it to one of his employees and upon further discussion he asked if he could make a copy. I was stunned! I said he could buy a copy.... It is second nature for most Americans to try and beat the system. It is looked at as a victory in life if you have somehow beat the man. I don't know if we will ever be able to recapture the market. I have been in the music business all of my life and the problem is greed from the end user to the record label exec. The Independent Publishers are going broke because the labels and artists are recording so "inside". The access to Radio and market is restricted that great songwriters cannot get a deal or a cut. Greed prevails at every level of society. Maybe I'll start a TV show and call it American Idol. Take the winner to new heights as a radio star!!! Oh yea, I can't get in... Darn!!

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