

## Alert: Recall of Canned Tuna Due to Botulism Concerns

### Description



Close-up shot of many canned tuna with easy-opened lids.

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Some canned tuna brands from Trader Joe's, Costco, and Walmart have been recalled due to concerns about a dangerous bacterium called clostridium botulinum.

Tri-Union, a seafood company, voluntarily recalled certain canned tuna products because of a faulty "easy open" lid that could lead to contamination.

Consumers are advised not to use the recalled products, even if they seem fine, and to seek medical help if feeling unwell.

## Products Affected by the Recall:

- Genova Solid White Tuna in Olive Oil 5.0 oz
- Genova Yellowfin Tuna in Olive Oil 5.0 oz
- Van Camp's Solid Light Tuna in Oil 5.0 oz

For a full list of recalled products and more information, visit the [FDA website](#).

Clostridium botulinum can cause serious illness, including breathing problems and paralysis, so it's important to be cautious.

## Vocabulary List:

1. **Recall** /'ri:.kɔ:l/ (noun/verb): The act of retrieving or withdrawing a product from the market due to safety concerns.
2. **Contamination** /kən,tæmɪ'neɪʃən/ (noun): The presence of an unwanted substance that makes something impure or unsafe.
3. **Bacterium** /bæk'tir.i.əm/ (noun): A type of microorganism that can cause disease.
4. **Paralysis** /pə'ræl.i.sɪs/ (noun): A condition that results in the loss of muscle function in part of the body.
5. **Voluntarily** /,və:.lən'ter.ə.li/ (adverb): In a willing or unforced manner; done by choice.
6. **Affected** /ə'fektɪd/ (adjective): Having experienced a change or an impact often in a negative way.

## Comprehension Questions

### Multiple Choice

1. What is the reason for the recall of certain canned tuna products?

Option: Presence of high levels of mercury  
Option: Concerns about a dangerous bacterium  
Option: Incorrect labeling of expiration dates  
Option: Improper packaging

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2. Which seafood company voluntarily recalled the canned tuna products?

- Option: Seafood Delight
- Option: Tri-Union
- Option: Ocean Fresh
- Option: Harbor Seafoods

3. What kind of lids on the canned tuna products led to the contamination issue?

- Option: Pull-tab lids
- Option: Easy-open lids
- Option: Twist-off lids
- Option: Sealed lids

4. What should consumers do with the recalled products according to the information provided?

- Option: Continue using them cautiously
- Option: Donate them to food banks
- Option: You may still consume them
- Option: Do not use them

5. Which of the following stores had recalled canned tuna products?

- Option: Safeway
- Option: Kroger
- Option: Costco
- Option: Whole Foods

6. What illness can clostridium botulinum cause?

- Option: Common cold
- Option: Breathing problems and paralysis
- Option: Headaches and dizziness
- Option: Stomach ache

### True-False

7. Clostridium botulinum is a harmless bacterium.

8. Consumers are advised to seek medical help if they feel unwell after consuming the recalled products.

9. All canned tuna products are safe to consume without any risk.

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10. The recall of the canned tuna products was initiated by the FDA.
11. Genova Yellowfin Tuna in Olive Oil was one of the affected products mentioned in the article.
12. Tri-Union recalled the canned tuna products due to concerns about a leaky packaging.

### Gap-Fill

13. Consumers are advised not to use the recalled products, even if they seem fine, and to seek medical help if feeling \_\_\_\_\_.
14. The canned tuna products recalled had a faulty "easy-open" lid that could lead to \_\_\_\_\_.
15. To prevent serious illness, consumers are informed to avoid using the recalled products and exercise \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Clostridium botulinum can cause serious illness, including breathing problems and \_\_\_\_\_.
17. For more information and a full list of recalled products, consumers are directed to visit the \_\_\_\_\_ website.
18. Clostridium botulinum is a bacterium that can result in severe \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Concerns about a dangerous bacterium 2. Tri-Union 3. Easy-open lids 4. Do not use them 5. Costco 6. Breathing problems and paralysis

**True-False:** 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. True 12. False

**Gap-Fill:** 13. unwell 14. contamination 15. caution 16. paralysis 17. FDA 18. illness

### Vocabulary quizzes

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**Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )**

1. What is the term for overcrowding or obstruction of traffic in an area?

- Option: A. Flow
- Option: B. Clear path
- Option: C. Congestion
- Option: D. Smooth ride

2. Which term refers to the act of passing through or across a place?

- Option: A. Stay
- Option: B. Departure
- Option: C. Transit
- Option: D. Halt

3. What is the effect or influence of one thing on another?

- Option: A. Intent
- Option: B. Isolation
- Option: C. Impact
- Option: D. Ambiguity

4. Which term means the act of calling off or abandoning something?

- Option: A. Confirming
- Option: B. Progressing
- Option: C. Cancellation
- Option: D. Continuing

5. What does the term "diversity" refer to?

- Option: A. Uniformity
- Option: B. Sameness
- Option: C. Diversity
- Option: D. Equality

6. Who are individuals or entities that purchase goods or services?

- Option: A. Producers
- Option: B. Suppliers
- Option: C. Consumers
- Option: D. Investors

7. What is the presence of harmful or undesirable substances in something?

- Option: A. Purity
- Option: B. Cleanliness
- Option: C. Contamination



Option: D. Clarity

8. What term describes actions done willingly or without coercion?

Option: A. Compulsory

Option: B. Forced

Option: C. Voluntarily

Option: D. Obligatory

9. Which term is used to describe a sudden strong increase or rise?

Option: A. Decline

Option: B. Downturn

Option: C. Surge

Option: D. Dip

10. In physics what does "momentum" refer to?

Option: A. Resistance

Option: B. Inertia

Option: C. Momentum

Option: D. Friction

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. \_\_\_\_\_ plays a crucial role in connecting people and goods across distances.

12. A successful business often thrives on strong \_\_\_\_\_ with other companies.

13. Express your \_\_\_\_\_ about the environmental impact of the new project.

14. New employees often require proper training and \_\_\_\_\_ to excel in their roles.

15. Maintaining a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ can help individuals overcome challenges.

16. It is essential to continually \_\_\_\_\_ the progress of the project to ensure timely completion.

17. Receiving \_\_\_\_\_ feedback can motivate individuals to perform better.

18. Please do not \_\_\_\_\_ with the experiment while it is in progress.

19. Only authorized personnel are \_\_\_\_\_ to access this restricted area.



20. The company issued a product \_\_\_\_\_ due to safety concerns.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. Ensuring fairness and impartiality in decision-making is a fundamental principle of .

22. Promoting diversity and creating a supportive environment for all individuals is key to fostering .

23. A strong to quality is essential for building a reputable brand.

24. A single has the potential to multiply rapidly under favorable conditions.

25. Temporary of the muscles can occur due to nerve damage.

26. The recent policy changes have greatly our company's operations.

27. The political candidate had a strong base of enthusiastic .

28. The successful business venture was a result of a strategic between two leading firms.

29. The company experienced a steady in sales due to changing market trends.

30. Only registered users are to access premium content on the platform.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. C. Congestion 2. C. Transit 3. C. Impact 4. C. Cancellation 5. C. Diversity 6. C. Consumers  
7. C. Contamination 8. C. Voluntarily 9. C. Surge 10. C. Momentum

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Transportation 12. Partnership 13. Concern 14. Guidance 15. Optimism 16. Monitor 17. Encouraging 18. Interfere 19. Allowed 20. Recall

**Matching sentence:** 1. Equity 2. Inclusion 3. Commitment 4. Bacterium 5. Paralysis 6. Affected 7. Supporters  
8. Partnership 9. Decline 10. Allowed

## CATEGORY

1. Business - LEVEL2

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