



Celebrities call for action on explicit video game scenes

Description

Performers in the gaming industry have shared their concerns about being asked to work on explicit content without prior notice. This includes scenes depicting sexual assault, which can be distressing for actors who are not informed in advance. In modern games, these scenes are often created by recording human actors who are then transformed into digital characters.

Jessica Jefferies, a casting director, talked about her experience of being asked to film a graphic rape scene without warning. She found the request disgusting and refused to participate. She believes that actors should receive detailed information about intimate scenes beforehand to avoid discomfort and ensure better performances.

Equity, a performing arts union, has created guidelines to address these issues. They recommend providing actors with a summary of the story, scripts in advance, offering closed sets for sensitive scenes, and engaging intimacy coordinators.

Some games, like Baldur's Gate 3, have taken steps to ensure the well-being of performers during explicit scenes by employing intimacy coordinators. These coordinators help actors feel more comfortable and supported while filming challenging scenes.

Overall, the industry is moving towards better practices to protect performers. While there are still challenges to overcome, initiatives like Equity's guidelines are making a positive impact on how explicit content is handled in video games.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Explicit** /ɪk'splɪt/ (adjective): Stated clearly and in detail leaving no room for confusion or doubt.
2. **Distressing** /dɪ'stres.ɪŋ/ (adjective): Causing anxiety or sorrow; upsetting.
3. **Guidelines** /'gaɪd.laɪnz/ (noun): A general rule principle or piece of advice.
4. **Engaging** /ɪn'geɪ.dʒɪŋ/ (verb): Participating or becoming involved in.
5. **Performers** /pər'fɔːr.mənz/ (noun): Individuals who perform especially in front of an audience.
6. **Coordinators** /koo'ɔːr.dɪ.neɪ.tərz/ (noun): Individuals who organize and arrange activities.

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. What type of scenes in the gaming industry have performers raised concerns about working on without prior notice?
 - Option: Scenes depicting sexual assault
 - Option: Action scenes
 - Option: Comedy scenes
 - Option: Mystery scenes

2. How are explicit scenes in modern games often created?
 - Option: By recording human actors who are then transformed into digital characters
 - Option: By using solely computer-generated characters
 - Option: By animating scenes without human actors
 - Option: By purchasing pre-made scenes

3. What did Jessica Jefferies a casting director refuse to film due to lack of prior notice?
 - Option: A graphic rape scene
 - Option: A romantic scene
 - Option: An action-packed scene
 - Option: A comedy scene

4. What does Equity recommend to be provided to actors to address concerns regarding explicit content scenes?
 - Option: A summary of the story and scripts in advance
 - Option: Scenarios on the spot
 - Option: No information beforehand
 - Option: Post-filming explanations

5. Which industry union has created guidelines to address issues related to explicit content scenes for performers?
 - Option: Equity
 - Option: SAG-AFTRA
 - Option: PGA
 - Option: WGA

6. In what way do intimacy coordinators help performers during explicit scenes?
 - Option: By ensuring actors feel more comfortable and supported
 - Option: By directing the scenes
 - Option: By controlling the budget



Option: By editing the final footage

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Scenes depicting sexual assault 2. By recording human actors who are then transformed into digital characters 3. A graphic rape scene 4. A summary of the story and scripts in advance 5. Equity 6. By ensuring actors feel more comfortable and supported

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What are claims or assertions that someone has done something wrong without proof called?

Option: Allegations

Option: Underperforming

Option: Explicit

Option: Performers

2. What term refers to the right or licence granted to an individual or group to market a company's goods or services in a particular territory?

Option: Potential

Option: Franchises

Option: Esteemed

Option: Telecast

3. What word describes occurrences or incidents happening at a particular time or place?

Option: Coordination

Option: Engaging

Option: Momentum

Option: Events

4. What is the act of transmitting electronic media content such as television or radio to the public?

Option: Vibrant

Option: Broadcasting

Option: Guidelines

Option: Correspondents

5. Who are people employed by news organizations to report news broadcasts from various locations?

Option: Correspondents

Option: Perspective



Option: Finalized

Option: Intimate

6. What is the possibility of something happening or being developed in the future?

Option: Reviving

Option: Convention

Option: Potential

Option: Distress

7. What refers to the act of revitalizing or bringing something back to life or popularity?

Option: Broadcasting

Option: Reviving

Option: Esteemed

Option: Explicit

8. What are instructions or recommendations that indicate how something should be done or performed?

Option: Distressing

Option: Guidelines

Option: Engaging

Option: Equity

9. Who are individuals who entertain others with their skills or talents such as actors or musicians?

Option: Coordinators

Option: Performers

Option: Distress

Option: Intimate

10. What term describes a large formal assembly of people with shared interests?

Option: Explicit

Option: Convention

Option: Pictorial

Option: Momentum

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

11. Obtaining a _____ for software allows users to legally use the program.

12. Different people may have a unique _____ on the same situation based on their experiences.



13. The award was presented by an _____ panel of judges from the industry.
14. The event will be _____ live on national television for viewers to watch.
15. Some movies contain _____ content that is not suitable for children.
16. The news of the accident was _____ for the families of those involved.
17. The teacher used _____ activities to keep the students interested in the lesson.
18. The small cafe provided an _____ setting for friends to catch up over coffee.
19. The company's commitment to _____ in the workplace led to a diverse and inclusive culture.
20. The project gained _____ as more people joined the cause and supported its goals.

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

21. The quaint village by the lake was so perfect that it appeared like a scene from a painting.
22. After hours of discussion and negotiation the contract was signed and all terms were settled.
23. The innovative company was at the forefront of technology continually developing new products.
24. The city's nightlife was so lively and colorful with bustling streets and entertainment options.
25. The warning label clearly stated the content of the film alerting viewers of its mature themes.
26. The smooth between the departments ensured that the event ran efficiently and without delays.
27. The loss of a loved one can cause immense emotional and hardship for those left behind.
28. The professor was well-respected by students and colleagues alike for his contributions to the field.
29. The news channel had stationed in different countries to report on global events as they unfolded.
30. Looking at the situation from a different can often lead to new insights and solutions.



Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Allegations 2. Franchises 3. Events 4. Broadcasting 5. Correspondents 6. Potential 7. Reviving 8. Guidelines 9. Performers 10. Convention

Gap-Fill: 11. Licensing 12. Perspective 13. Esteemed 14. Telecast 15. Explicit 16. Distressing 17. Engaging 18. Intimate 19. Equity 20. Momentum

Matching sentence: 1. Pictorial 2. Finalized 3. Spearheading 4. Vibrant 5. Explicit 6. Coordination 7. Distress 8. Esteemed 9. Correspondents 10. Perspective

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