



Disney Removes Transgender Plot from Pixar's 'Win or Lose'

Description

Pixar's animated show "Win or Lose" will not have a character who is transgender. The show is about a middle school softball team and their daily life. A Disney spokesperson confirmed that this story was taken out. They said animated shows for younger viewers must fit parents' preferences for discussing certain topics with kids.

Although the character is still in the show, references to gender identity are removed. Disney did not provide more information. This is not the first time Disney has faced criticism for having LGBTQ+ content, especially in its animated shows.

Last year, there was a big debate over Disney's handling of an animation with a gay character. It led to a lot of talk when Disney refused to release an episode of Disney Channel's show "Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur". This episode had a transgender character. But Disney said they did not release the episode for different reasons.

However, Disney continues to feature LGBTQ+ content in shows for adults. It's not the only studio facing criticism over these issues. This is happening as Disney's animation films are doing really well at the box office. The release for "Win or Lose" was set for this month but has been swapped with another show called "Dream Productions". Now it is set to release on February 19, 2025.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Animation** /ˌæn.ɪˈmeɪ.ʃən/ (noun): The process of creating moving images using individual drawings paintings or illustrations.
2. **Character** /ˈkær.ɪk.tər/ (noun): A person animal or figure represented in a story or performance.
3. **Criticism** /ˈkrɪt.ɪ.sɪ.zəm/ (noun): The expression of disapproval based on perceived mistakes or faults.
4. **Content** /ˈkɒn.tent/ (noun): The subjects or topics covered in a book film or other media.
5. **Release** /rɪˈliːs/ (verb): To make (a product or information) available to the public.
6. **Swapped** /swɒpt/ (verb): To exchange one thing for another.

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. What is the focus of Pixar's animated show "Win or Lose"?
 - Option: High school basketball team
 - Option: Middle school softball team
 - Option: College soccer team
 - Option: Elementary school track team

2. Why did Disney remove references to gender identity in the show?
 - Option: To avoid controversy
 - Option: To align with parents' preferences
 - Option: Due to internal conflicts
 - Option: To target a different audience

3. When is the revised release date set for "Win or Lose"?
 - Option: March 10, 2022
 - Option: June 5, 2023
 - Option: February 19, 2025
 - Option: April 30, 2024

4. Which show did Disney swap "Win or Lose" with for the release?
 - Option: Adventure Time
 - Option: Magic Kingdom
 - Option: Dream Productions
 - Option: Imagination Island

5. What type of content does Disney continue to feature in shows for adults?
 - Option: Romantic comedies
 - Option: Animated musicals
 - Option: LGBTQ+ content
 - Option: Historical documentaries

6. Which studio faced criticism for LGBTQ+ content along with Disney?
 - Option: DreamWorks Animation
 - Option: Sony Pictures Animation
 - Option: Blue Sky Studios
 - Option: Universal Pictures Animation



True-False

7. Disney faced criticism for having LGBTQ+ content in its animated shows.
8. The release date for "Win or Lose" was not changed.
9. Disney refused to release an episode of "Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur" due to LGBTQ+ content.
10. Disney's animation films have not been successful at the box office.
11. The character who is transgender was completely removed from "Win or Lose".
12. Disney features LGBTQ+ content in shows only for children.

Gap-Fill

13. The show "Win or Lose" was initially scheduled for release this month but is now set to release on _____.
14. Disney's animated show "Win or Lose" revolves around a middle school _____.
15. The episode of "Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur" that was not released featured a _____ character.
16. Disney faced criticism for having LGBTQ+ content in its animated _____.
17. The character who is transgender still remains in "Win or Lose", but references to _____ were removed.
18. Disney swapped the release of "Win or Lose" with another show called _____.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Middle school softball team 2. To align with parents' preferences 3. February 19, 2025
4. Dream Productions 5. LGBTQ+ content 6. DreamWorks Animation

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

Gap-Fill: 13. February 19, 2025



14. softball team 15. transgender 16. shows 17. gender identity 18. Dream Productions

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. Which industry involves the building of structures such as buildings and bridges?

- Option: Construction
- Option: Animation
- Option: Cut-out
- Option: Sequins

2. What term is used to describe a widespread occurrence of a disease affecting a whole country or the entire world?

- Option: Pandemic
- Option: Expect
- Option: Gossip
- Option: Private

3. How would you describe someone who is wearing formal or elegant attire?

- Option: Dressed up
- Option: Challenge
- Option: Psychotherapist
- Option: Powerful

4. Which term refers to all the people born and living at about the same time regarded collectively?

- Option: Generation
- Option: Confirm
- Option: Character
- Option: Support

5. What do you offer someone in need to help them or show that you are on their side?

- Option: Friendships
- Option: Breakup
- Option: Support
- Option: Swapped

6. Which term is used to describe being in a state of peaceful happiness or satisfaction?

- Option: Character
- Option: Criticism
- Option: Content



Option: Release

7. What legal dissolution of a marriage is known as?

Option: Respect

Option: Divorce

Option: Private

Option: Gossip

8. Which term describes something that motivates or encourages others?

Option: Inspirational

Option: Creator

Option: Challenging

Option: Psychotherapist

9. What word would you use to describe someone who has great effectiveness or influence?

Option: Powerful

Option: Expect

Option: Drama

Option: Confirmed

10. What term refers to the bonds of mutual affection between people?

Option: Expect

Option: Drama

Option: Friendships

Option: Comfortable

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

11. A _____ is a shape that has been cut out from a material such as paper or cardboard.

12. Completing a difficult task can be described as _____.

13. I prefer to keep my personal life _____.

14. We _____ our old books to get new ones.

15. Please _____ your attendance for the event.

16. After a long day I like to relax in my most _____ chair.

17. I _____ you to be on time for the meeting.



18. There was a lot of office _____ going around about the upcoming changes.
19. The new album will _____ next month.
20. The _____ of the popular TV show announced a new project.

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

21. A trained professional who helps people deal with emotional issues and mental health challenges.
22. The end of a romantic relationship between two people.
23. To fill someone with the urge or ability to do or feel something especially to do something creative.
24. The mental and moral qualities distinctive to an individual.
25. A feeling of deep admiration for someone or something elicited by their abilities qualities or achievements.
26. The technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown.
27. To give assistance approval or encouragement to someone or something.
28. An exciting emotional or unexpected series of events or set of circumstances.
29. Small shiny disks sewn as one of many onto clothing for decoration.
30. The expression of disapproval of someone or something based on perceived faults or mistakes.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Construction 2. Pandemic 3. Dressed up 4. Generation 5. Support 6. Content 7. Divorce 8. Inspirational 9. Powerful 10. Friendships

Gap-Fill: 11. Cut-out 12. Challenging 13. Private 14. Swapped 15. Confirm 16. Comfortable 17. Expect 18. Gossip 19. Release 20. Creator

Matching sentence: 1. Psychotherapist 2. Breakup 3. Inspire 4. Character 5. Respect 6. Animation 7. Support 8. Drama 9. Sequins 10. Criticism

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