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# Famous musician expresses regret over missed assassination attempt on Trump, faces backlash

## Description

It has been a tumultuous few days for Kyle Gass, one half of the renowned rock band Tenacious D, after he made a controversial comment during a Sunday show regarding Donald Trump's assassination attempt. Gass expressed his wish that the shooter had not missed, sparking outrage and shock among fans and even his own bandmate, Jack Black. In response to the backlash, the band made the difficult decision to cancel the remainder of their tour, including a stop in State College.

Following the incident, reports emerged that Gass had been dropped by his talent agency, Michael Greene of Greene & Associates Talent Agency. The repercussions of his ill-advised comment continued as Australian senator Ralph Babet called for the group to be deported from the country.

In an attempt to rectify the situation, Gass took to Instagram to issue a heartfelt apology, acknowledging his mistake and expressing regret for the pain his words had caused. Jack Black also addressed the controversy on social media, denouncing hate speech and political violence.

The incident has placed a cloud over the future of Tenacious D, with Black revealing that all creative plans are currently on hold. Despite the difficulties, the duo, who have been performing together since 1994, remain hopeful that they will be able to move past this controversy and continue to bring their music to fans around the world.

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## Vocabulary List:

1. **Controversial** /ˌkɒn.trəˈvɜːʃəl/ (adjective): Dealing with or likely to cause public disagreement.
2. **Outrage** /ˈaʊt.reɪdʒ/ (noun): A strong reaction of anger or shock.
3. **Repercussions** /ˌrɪː.pərˈkʌʃ.ənz/ (noun): Unintended consequences or effects of an action.
4. **Rectify** /ˈrɛk.tɪ.fai/ (verb): To correct or make right.
5. **Denouncing** /dɪˈnəʊn.sɪŋ/ (verb): Publicly declaring something to be wrong or evil.
6. **Tumultuous** /tjuˈmʌl.tʃu.əs/ (adjective): Characterized by chaos disorder or emotional upheaval.

## Comprehension Questions



### Multiple Choice

1. Who is Kyle Gass known for being one half of?  
Option: Foo Fighters  
Option: Tenacious D  
Option: Metallica  
Option: AC/DC
2. What did Kyle Gass express during a Sunday show regarding Donald Trump?  
Option: Support  
Option: Wish for assassination attempt  
Option: Encouragement  
Option: Silence
3. Who is Kyle Gass' bandmate?  
Option: Dave Grohl  
Option: Jack Black  
Option: Ozzy Osbourne  
Option: Axl Rose
4. What decision did the band make in response to the backlash?  
Option: Continue touring  
Option: Take a break  
Option: Cancel the remainder of their tour  
Option: Release a new album
5. Who called for the group to be deported from the country?  
Option: Ralph Babet  
Option: Michael Greene  
Option: Jack Black  
Option: Donald Trump
6. How long have Tenacious D been performing together?  
Option: Since 2000  
Option: Since 1990  
Option: Since 2005  
Option: Since 1994



## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Tenacious D 2. Wish for assassination attempt 3. Jack Black 4. Cancel the remainder of their tour 5. Ralph Babet 6. Since 1994

## Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What term is used to describe a medical condition that cannot be treated with surgery?  
Option: Malignant  
Option: Operative  
Option: Inoperable  
Option: Recovery
2. Which word means the action of making practical and effective use of something?  
Option: Misuse  
Option: Neglect  
Option: Utilization  
Option: Abstain
3. What term refers to the action of putting someone on a list of people or things considered undesirable or untrustworthy?  
Option: Highlighted  
Option: Whitelisted  
Option: Blacklisted  
Option: Recommended
4. Which word means to maintain something in its original or existing state?  
Option: Destroyed  
Option: Forgotten  
Option: Preserved  
Option: Discarded
5. What term describes a remark with severe criticism?  
Option: Praiseworthy  
Option: Neutral  
Option: Scathing  
Option: Constructive



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6. Which term refers to the restoration of friendly relations after a dispute or estrangement?
- Option: Confliction
  - Option: Division
  - Option: Reconciliation
  - Option: Strife
7. What term describes the forces or properties that stimulate growth development or change within a system or process?
- Option: Stagnation
  - Option: Static
  - Option: Dynamics
  - Option: Stationary
8. What term means to publicly or officially support or approve of something?
- Option: Disapproved
  - Option: Critiqued
  - Option: Endorsed
  - Option: Protested
9. What term describes an issue or subject that is likely to cause disagreement or controversy?
- Option: Harmonious
  - Option: Uncontroversial
  - Option: Contentious
  - Option: Conciliatory
10. Which word means of the greatest importance; fundamental or primary?
- Option: Secondary
  - Option: Nonessential
  - Option: Cardinal
  - Option: Trivial

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

11. The famous athlete agreed to \_\_\_\_\_ the new sports drink in their upcoming advertising campaign.
12. The scientist received a Nobel Prize for his \_\_\_\_\_ discoveries in the field of physics.
13. The country experienced a \_\_\_\_\_ period of political unrest leading to widespread



protests.

14. The international community decided to impose \_\_\_\_\_ on the country for violating human rights.

15. The company pledged to \_\_\_\_\_ the error and issue a public apology to affected customers.

16. The controversial decision by the government sparked widespread public \_\_\_\_\_ and protests.

17. The new movie has an \_\_\_\_\_ plot that keeps viewers guessing until the very end.

18. The spokesperson \_\_\_\_\_ that the company will be launching a new product line next month.

19. The employee accessed the confidential files without \_\_\_\_\_ permission leading to disciplinary action.

20. The efficient \_\_\_\_\_ of resources is crucial for sustainable development in the region.

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

21. The author received both praise and for her latest novel showing the diverse reactions from critics.
22. The doctor sadly informed the patient that the tumor was and could not be removed surgically.
23. The decision to downsize the company had far-reaching that affected employees at all levels.
24. The activist was known for injustices and human rights violations committed by the government.
25. The artist's use of colors and textures in the painting captured the attention of art enthusiasts.
26. The firefighter rescued the child from the burning building preventing from smoke inhalation.
27. The company the launch date of the highly anticipated product after months of speculation.



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| 28. The family hoped that the counseling sessions would help in overcoming their emotional .       |
| 29. The project manager emphasized the importance of efficient resource to meet project deadlines. |
| 30. The celebrity was paid to the new fashion line increasing its visibility and sales.            |

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Inoperable 2. Utilization 3. Blacklisted 4. Preserved 5. Scathing 6. Reconciliation  
7. Dynamics 8. Endorsed 9. Contentious 10. Cardinal

**Gap-Fill:** 11. endorse 12. brilliant 13. tumultuous 14. sanctions 15. rectify 16. outrage 17. intriguing  
18. confirmed 19. authorized 20. utilization

**Matching sentence:** 1. criticism 2. inoperable 3. repercussions 4. denouncing 5. brilliant 6. suffocation  
7. confirmed 8. estrangement 9. utilization 10. endorse

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