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## Major PS5 Security Flaw Poses Risks to Users

### Description

A serious security problem has been found in the PlayStation Network (PSN). This issue could affect many users unless Sony makes changes.

Colin Moriarty, a podcast host, talked about being almost tricked into losing his PSN account. He shared his story in a new podcast. This story shows a dangerous flaw in Sony's system that could impact all of us.

This problem is not a hack. It does not involve illegal access to Sony's network. Instead, it relies on personal details that some people might share online, like an email address or a purchase date. This social engineering scam tricks customer service workers into giving access to an account.

Hackers can easily take over a PSN account with just a few bits of information. Once they gain access, they can change email addresses or lock the real owner out. This issue has affected some famous fans, and many cannot recover their accounts.

Moriarty has told Sony about these dangers. He hopes they will take action soon. Meanwhile, users should check their social media to see if they have shared any personal information.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **security** //sɪ'kjʊərəti// (noun): ways to protect people or systems
2. **flaw** //flɔ// (noun): a mistake or weakness in something
3. **scam** //skæm// (noun): a trick to steal money or information
4. **access** //'æks.ɛs// (noun): the ability or right to use something
5. **engineering** //,ɛn.dʒə'nɪrɪŋ// (noun): skill and knowledge used to design things
6. **recover** //rɪ'kʌvər// (verb): get back something lost or taken

### Comprehension Questions

#### Multiple Choice

1. What is the security issue related to?

Option: PlayStation Network



- Option: Xbox Live
- Option: Steam
- Option: Nintendo Switch

2. Who is Colin Moriarty?

- Option: A hacker
- Option: A game developer
- Option: A podcast host
- Option: A Sony executive

3. What type of scam is mentioned in the text?

- Option: Phishing scam
- Option: Social engineering scam
- Option: Ransomware scam
- Option: Credit card scam

4. What can hackers do if they take over a PSN account?

- Option: Change passwords
- Option: Lock the real owner out
- Option: Delete games
- Option: All of the above

5. What does Colin Moriarty hope Sony will do?

- Option: Ignore the problem
- Option: Increase marketing
- Option: Take action soon
- Option: Launch a new game

6. What should users check according to Moriarty?

- Option: Their gaming consoles
- Option: Their email addresses
- Option: Their social media
- Option: Their bank accounts

### True-False

7. Colin Moriarty was tricked into losing his PSN account.



8. The problem with the PSN is related to hacking.
9. Hackers can take over a PSN account with just a few bits of information.
10. Moriarty is not worried about the security issue.
11. The PSN account issue affects many famous fans.
12. Users should avoid sharing personal information online.

### Gap-Fill

13. The security problem has been found in the PlayStation Network (PSN) and could affect many users unless Sony makes \_\_\_\_\_ changes.
14. Colin Moriarty shared his story about being almost tricked into losing his PSN account in a new \_\_\_\_\_
15. This problem does not involve illegal access but relies on \_\_\_\_\_ details shared online.
16. Hackers can easily take over a PSN account with just a few bits of \_\_\_\_\_
17. Moriarty has informed Sony about these \_\_\_\_\_
18. Users should check their social media to see if they have shared any personal \_\_\_\_\_

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. PlayStation Network 2. A podcast host 3. Social engineering scam 4. All of the above 5. Take action soon 6. Their social media

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

**Gap-Fill:** 13. important 14. podcast 15. personal 16. information 17. dangers

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