Microsoft reboots controversial AI screenshot tool for privacy concerns.

Description

Microsoft has listened to feedback about a tool called Recall that takes screenshots of what users do on their computers. People were worried about their privacy, so Microsoft delayed the tool's release. Now, they plan to launch it in November on special CoPilot+ computers.

The new version of Recall will have less controversial features - for example, you have to choose to use it, it won't be on by default. The UK's data watchdog, the ICO, has been talking to Microsoft about the tool. They say Microsoft has made some changes to make it better.

Recall can help you find things you've used on your computer before, like files and pictures. But some people worry about how much personal information it collects. Microsoft says they have added more security features, like encryption to protect your data.

Experts say the changes are good, but they recommend waiting to see how Recall works before using it. Remember, your privacy is important, so be careful with tools like this.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Recall** /rɪˈkɔːl/ (noun): A tool or feature that retrieves previously used information or data.
2. **Feedback** /ˈfiːdbæk/ (noun): Information or opinions about a product or service that can be used for improvement.
3. **Controversial** /ˌkɒn.trəˈvɜː.ʃəl/ (adjective): Causing or likely to cause public disagreement.
4. **Privacy** /ˈpraɪ.və.si/ (noun): The state of being free from public attention or disturbance.
5. **Encryption** /ɪnˈkrɪp.ʃən/ (noun): The process of converting information or data into a code to prevent unauthorized access.
6. **Security** /sɪˈkjʊr.ɪ.ti/ (noun): The state of being free from danger or threat.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Why was the release of the tool called Recall delayed?

   Option: It was not ready for use.

Option: People were worried about their privacy.
Option: It had bugs that needed fixing.
Option: Microsoft did not have the resources.

2. When does Microsoft plan to launch the tool Recall?

Option: In December
Option: In October
Option: In November
Option: In January

3. On what type of computers will the tool Recall be launched?

Option: Windows 10 computers
Option: Standard laptops
Option: CoPilot+ computers
Option: Mac computers

4. Which organization has been talking to Microsoft about the tool Recall?

Option: The UK's data protection agency
Option: ICO
Option: The USA's data watchdog
Option: Europe's data watchdog

5. What new feature does the Recall tool have to protect user data?

Option: Better performance optimization
Option: Encryption
Option: Auto-delete function
Option: Increased storage capacity

6. What do experts recommend regarding the use of the Recall tool?

Option: Using it immediately
Option: Ignoring the tool completely
Option: Waiting to see how it works before using it
Option: Installing it on multiple devices

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. People were worried about their privacy. 2. In November 3. CoPilot+ computers 4. ICO
5. Encryption 6. Waiting to see how it works before using it

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. Which medication is commonly used to treat epilepsy?

    Option: Sodium valproate
    Option: Ibuprofen
    Option: Amoxicillin
    Option: Aspirin

2. What prefix is commonly used to refer to things related to the internet or technology?

    Option: Cyber
    Option: Geo
    Option: Bio
    Option: Aero

3. Which term refers to measures taken to ensure safety and protection?

    Option: Security
    Option: Hospitality
    Option: Flexibility
    Option: Transparency

4. What are preserved remains or traces of ancient organisms called?

    Option: Fossils
    Option: Crystals
    Option: Artifacts
    Option: Inventions

5. What are the cells that transmit information in the nervous system?

    Option: Neurons
    Option: Platelets
    Option: Fibroblasts
    Option: Tendons

6. What term is used to describe an animal that is hunted and eaten by another?

    Option: Prey
    Option: Predator
    Option: Herbivore
    Option: Omnivore

7. What process converts information into a code to prevent unauthorized access?

Option: Encryption
Option: Decryption
Option: Transcription
Option: Translation

8. Which branch of science studies the structure of organisms and their parts?

Option: Anatomy
Option: Ecology
Option: Botany
Option: Astronomy

9. Which birds are known for their red breasts?

Option: Robins
Option: Crows
Option: Eagles
Option: Sparrows

10. What characteristic refers to the ability to walk on two legs?

Option: Bipedality
Option: Quadrupedality
Option: Flight
Option: Swimming

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

11. The company issued a product _____ due to safety concerns.

12. She was _____ to succeed in her career despite facing challenges.

13. The documentary _____ the harsh realities of the industry.

14. The new system proved to be more _____ than the old one.

15. The decision to close the factory was highly _____ among the employees.

16. The student was _____ for cheating on the exam.

17. She was deeply _____ in the local community activities.

18. The trade embargo was officially _____ by the government.

19. Smoking has been proven to have _____ effects on health.

20. The painting was a beautiful landscape _____ a scene from the countryside.

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

21. The of a new species in the rainforest excited the scientific community.
22. The system allows us to experience the world through touch taste and smell.
23. Despite his success he remained humble and in his values.
24. The new manufacturing process was more and cost-effective.
25. Over time humans into the dominant species on the planet.
26. The product was recalled due to manufacturing that could pose a safety risk.
27. Customer is important for improving products and services.
28. Individuals have the right to protect their and personal information.
29. is a neurological disorder characterized by recurrent seizures.
30. Scientific is essential for advancing medical knowledge and treatments.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Sodium valproate 2. Cyber 3. Security 4. Fossils 5. Neurons 6. Prey 7. Encryption 8. Anatomy 9. Robins 10. Bipedality

Gap-Fill: 11. recall 12. determined 13. exposed 14. efficient 15. controversial 16. punished 17. involved 18. sanctioned 19. harmful 20. resembling

Matching sentence: 1. discovery 2. sensory 3. grounded 4. efficient 5. evolved 6. defects 7. feedback 8. privacy 9. Epilepsy 10. research

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