



Musicians Furious as Trump Continues Using Copyrighted Songs

Description

The Village People's "YMCA" blares at Donald Trump's rallies, prompting attendees to dance. Despite the disco group not expressing annoyance at the use of their hit song, other artists have openly criticized their music being played at the former president's 2024 campaign events. Issac Hayes' estate even threatened to sue Trump for using Sam & Dave's "Hold On, I'm Comin," a song Hayes helped write, demanding \$3 million in licensing fees. "Donald Trump embodies a lack of integrity and class, continually using my father's music without permission," Hayes III stated. Other artists like Celine Dion and Sinéad O'Connor's estate have also criticized Trump. While some, like Lee Greenwood and Kid Rock, support Trump's use of their music, others have taken legal action. Artists such as Neil Young, Tom Petty, and R.E.M. have sent cease-and-desist orders to Trump for using their songs without permission. The U.S. Copyright Office explains that music can be used legally by obtaining permission from the copyright holder, using public domain music, or relying on statutory limitations. Failure to obtain rights can result in legal action, typically decided in federal court.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Integrity** /ɪn'tɛɡrɪti/ (noun): The quality of being honest and having strong moral principles.
2. **Licensing** /'laɪsənsɪŋ/ (noun): The act of granting permission to use a particular right often for a fee.
3. **Criticized** /'krɪtɪ,saɪzd/ (verb): Expressed disapproval of someone or something.
4. **Embodies** /ɪm'bɒdi:z/ (verb): To be an expression of or give a tangible or visible form to an idea or quality.
5. **Cease-and-desist** /si:s ənd dɪ'sɪst/ (noun): A letter that demands to stop a certain activity often due to legal concerns.
6. **Statutory** /'stætʃə,tɔ:ri/ (adjective): Relating to or enacted by statutes (laws) or legislation.

Comprehension Questions

Answer

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. Which term refers to obtaining something by force or threats?



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- Option: Deception
Option: Extort
Option: Forgery
Option: Integrity
2. What do you call forming a theory without firm evidence?
Option: Buzz
Option: Speculation
Option: Anticipation
Option: Commitment
3. Which word means to represent in bodily form or substance?
Option: Speculations
Option: Ignited
Option: Embodies
Option: Forgery
4. What term describes someone who is clever and humorous?
Option: Licensing
Option: Witty
Option: Criticized
Option: Flaunted
5. Which term means to display something ostentatiously?
Option: Commitment
Option: Flaunted
Option: Daring
Option: Buzz
6. What is the term for the expression of disapproval of someone or something based on perceived faults or mistakes?
Option: Misdirection
Option: Criticized
Option: Forgery
Option: Criticism
7. Which term means to make a problem injury or offense worse or more serious?
Option: Flaunted
Option: Aggravated
Option: Deception
Option: Speculate
8. Which term is associated with granting official permission for something?



- Option: Orchestrating
- Option: Licensing
- Option: Misdirection
- Option: Anticipation

9. What term describes adding fashion items to complete an outfit?

- Option: Flaunted
- Option: Accessorized
- Option: Involvement
- Option: Deception

10. Which term means to organize and coordinate a complex operation or event?

- Option: Integrity
- Option: Orchestrating
- Option: Daring
- Option: Buzz

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

11. Legal action may be initiated with a _____ order to stop unauthorized use of intellectual property.
12. The regulatory body enforces compliance with _____ laws governing the industry.
13. The speech _____ a sense of passion and motivation among the audience.
14. The company's success is attributed to the strong _____ of its employees.
15. The investigative journalist plans to _____ the evidence in the upcoming report.
16. The fans waited in _____ for the release of the highly anticipated album.
17. The success of the project relies on the active _____ of all team members.
18. The children squealed with _____ as they opened their presents on Christmas morning.
19. Analysts _____ about the impact of the new government policies on the stock



market.

20. The magician used _____ to distract the audience and perform the trick.

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

21. The artist was caught selling paintings that were proven to be .
22. The con artist's entire scheme was built on a foundation of lies and .
23. The politician was known for his unwavering and honesty in public service.
24. The film was heavily for its poor acting and predictable plot.
25. The orchestra played a beautiful Mozart that captivated the audience.
26. The climber's attempt to scale the treacherous peak garnered worldwide attention.
27. The new restaurant quickly generated a lot of positive among food critics.
28. The highly sequel to the popular book series finally hit the shelves.
29. His unwavering to the cause inspired others to join the movement.
30. The well- plan led to the successful capture of the criminal gang.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Extort 2. Speculation 3. Embodies 4. Witty 5. Flaunted 6. Criticism 7. Aggravated 8. Licensing 9. Accessorized 10. Orchestrating

Gap-Fill: 11. cease-and-desist 12. statutory 13. ignited 14. commitment 15. reveal 16. anticipation 17. involvement 18. excitement 19. speculate 20. misdirection

Matching sentence: 1. forgery 2. deception 3. integrity 4. criticized 5. ensemble 6. daring 7. buzz 8. anticipated 9. commitment 10. orchestrated

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