
Review of Trump's Golden T1 Mobile Phone

Description

Almost a year after its announcement, the Trump Mobile T1 has finally launched, differing significantly from the model initially presented. This development matters as it marks a notable entry into the competitive smartphone market.

The T1 became available this week, following a preorder from CNET which included a \$100 deposit made in June 2025. Trump Mobile accelerated the shipping process for the review, unlike many companies that typically reserve review units for journalists. Uncertainty remains regarding whether non-media preorders have been fulfilled.

Trump Mobile initiated its operations in June 2025, offering a monthly mobile plan priced at £47.45. The original plan was to manufacture the T1 in the United States and release it in August 2025. However, the company retracted the "made in the US" assertion when it became apparent that large-scale domestic manufacturing was not feasible, causing a delay in the phone's launch.

Recently, a revamped Trump Mobile website revealed a third redesign of the T1. This followed a presentation by company executives earlier this year, where they showcased a near-production version of the device to The Verge.

The release of the T1 was postponed due to production challenges, a fact confirmed by the company last week, which announced the commencement of customer shipments. Pat O'Brien, CEO of Trump Mobile, emphasised the complexities involved in the technology sector. He noted that quality assurance processes delayed the completion of the T1, but he maintains that these delays resulted in a superior product.

This long weekend, I will conduct real-world testing of the T1, using it as my primary phone during Memorial Day. I will document my experiences and share updates based on my usage.

Vocabulary List:

1. **preorder** //,pri:'ɔrdər// (noun): an order and payment before a product is released
2. **manufacture** //,mænjə'fæktʃər// (verb): to make products, especially in factories
3. **retracted** //rɪ'træktɪd// (verb): to take back something said or agreed
4. **feasible** //'fi:zəbəl// (adjective): possible to do or achieve successfully
5. **revamped** //ri:'væmpt// (adjective): changed to improve the appearance or function
6. **assurance** //ə'ʃʊərəns// (noun): a promise that something will be good or true



Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. When did Trump Mobile initiate its operations?

- Option: June 2025
- Option: August 2025
- Option: December 2025
- Option: May 2025

2. What was the price of the monthly mobile plan offered by Trump Mobile?

- Option: £45.00
- Option: £47.45
- Option: £50.00
- Option: £60.00

3. What was the initial launch date planned for the T1?

- Option: June 2025
- Option: August 2025
- Option: September 2025
- Option: October 2025

4. How much was the preorder deposit made for the T1?

- Option: \$50
- Option: \$75
- Option: \$100
- Option: \$150

5. What company showcased a near-production version of the T1?

- Option: CNET
- Option: The Verge
- Option: TechCrunch
- Option: Engadget

6. Who is the CEO of Trump Mobile?

- Option: Donald Trump



- Option: Pat O'Brien
- Option: Mark Zuckerberg
- Option: Elon Musk

True-False

- 7. The T1 was made in the United States.
- 8. Trump Mobile started its operations in May 2025.
- 9. The T1 was originally intended to launch in August 2025.
- 10. Pat O'Brien claimed that quality assurance processes delayed the completion of the T1.
- 11. The preorder for the T1 began in July 2025.
- 12. The T1 will be tested during Memorial Day weekend.

Gap-Fill

- 13. The T1 became available this week after a preorder with a \$100 deposit made in _____ 2025.
- 14. Trump Mobile announced the start of customer shipments due to production _____ last week.
- 15. The monthly mobile plan offered by Trump Mobile is priced at £47.45, which is _____ than many competitors.
- 16. The original plan was to manufacture the T1 in the United States and release it in _____ 2025.



17. This long weekend, I will conduct real-world testing of the T1, using it as my primary _____ during Memorial Day.

18. A revamped Trump Mobile website revealed a _____ redesign of the T1.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. June 2025 2. £47.45 3. August 2025 4. \$100 5. The Verge 6. Pat O'Brien

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

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