

Social Media's Final Push Against Illegal Posts

Description

Online platforms must check if they show bad stuff to people by 16 March 2025. This is part of the Online Safety Act. If they don't check, they might have to pay a fine. Ofcom, the group in charge of UK internet safety, made rules for how companies should handle bad stuff online. They have three months to see if there is harmful content on their sites. If they don't, they could be fined up to 10% of their money. Ofcom boss Dame Melanie Dawes said companies need to make changes now or face more rules, like banning kids from social media. Some people think the rules don't do enough to protect children. Tech companies need to find and stop bad content, like stuff about abuse, violence, and self-harm. They also need to warn users about dangers like sharing personal information. Platforms like Facebook and Instagram have already put safety features for teens in place. The new rules still need approval from parliament but companies should start following them now.

Vocabulary List:

- WS.COM 1. Platforms /'plætfo:rmz/ (noun): Digital services or websites that allow users to communicate and share content.
- 2. Harmful /'ha:rmfəl/ (adjective): Causing or likely to cause damage or injury.
- 3. Compliance /kəmˈplaɪəns/ (noun): The act of adhering to rules regulations or laws.
- 4. Dangers /'deɪndʒərz/ (noun): Possibilities of harm or injury.
- 5. **Features** /ˈfiːtʃərz/ (noun): Distinctive attributes or elements of a product or service.
- 6. Approval /ə'pru:vəl/ (noun): The action of officially agreeing to something.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What is the deadline for online platforms to check if they show harmful content to people?

Option: 16 March 2025 Option: 1 January 2021 Option: 30 June 2023

Option: 5 September 2024



2. Who made rules for how companies should handle bad stuff online?

Option: Ofcom

Option: Parliament

Option: Tech companies
Option: Internet users

3. What percentage of their money could companies be fined if they do not check for harmful content?

Option: 10% Option: 5% Option: 20% Option: 15%

4. Which social media platforms have already implemented safety features for teens?

Option: Facebook and Instagram Option: Twitter and Snapchat Option: LinkedIn and Pinterest Option: TikTok and YouTube

5. What do tech companies need to find and stop on their platforms?

Option: Bad content like abuse, violence, and self-harm

Option: Advertisements

Option: Positive content only Option: Educational content

6. Who mentioned that companies need to make changes now or face more rules, like banning kids from social media?

Option: Dame Melanie Dawes

Option: Mark Zuckerberg

Option: Jeff Bezos Option: Tim Cook

True-False

- 7. The new rules under the Online Safety Act have already been approved by parliament.
- 8. The Online Safety Act requires online platforms to check for harmful content by 35 March 2025.
- 9. Some people believe that the rules do not provide enough protection for children.



- 10. Tech companies are only required to warn users about the dangers of sharing personal information.
- 11. Ofcom is responsible for overseeing UK internet safety.
- 12. Companies might face fines if they fail to implement safety features for teens on their platforms.

Gap-Fill

13. Ofcom, the group in	charge of UK internet s	safety, requires companies to check for harmful c	ontent
within	months.		
14. Companies that do n	ot check for harmful co	ontent could be fined up to	% of
their money.			
15. Platforms like Facebo	ook and Instagram hav	re already implemented safety features for	
16. The annual manual state of	ESL-N	ENS	
16. The group responsib	ie for UK internet safet	y is	
17. Some people believe	that the rules under t	he Online Safety Act are not sufficient to protect	
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18. Tech companies nee	d to find and stop bad	content like,	
	. and	on their platforms.	

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 16 March 2025 2. Ofcom 3. 10% 4. Facebook and Instagram 5. Bad content like abuse, violence, and self-harm 6. Dame Melanie Dawes

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

Gap-Fill: 13. three 14. 10 15. teens 16. Ofcom 17. children 18. abuse, violence, self-harm

Vocabulary quizzes



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

1. What is a result of great effort or success?

Option: Puzzles
Option: Intelligence
Option: Achievement
Option: Hackers

2. What happens when security has been breached?

Option: Theft

Option: Compromised Option: Sanctions Option: Infiltrated

3. What are intense bursts of energy from stars called?

Option: Superflares
Option: Radiation
Option: Ejection
Option: Coronal

4. What are substances added to improve or preserve something?

Option: Toxins
Option: Additives
Option: Detect
Option: Artificial

5. What type of effects can be caused by dangerous substances?

Option: Approval Option: Compliance Option: Dangers Option: Features

6. Where can different software applications operate?

Option: Intelligence Option: Platforms Option: Skills Option: Progress

7. What is the action of obtaining something through force or threats?

Option: Extort
Option: Theft
Option: Sanctions



Option: Infiltrated

8. What are poisonous substances produced by living cells or organisms?

Option: Toxins
Option: Detect
Option: Additives
Option: Artificial

9. What is a fact or statement that has been validated as true?

Option: Achievement

Option: Puzzles Option: Skills

Option: Confirmed

10. What term relates to the Earth's magnetic field?

Option: Communication
Option: Geomagnetic
Option: Superflares
Option: Radiation

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

11. Hackers often use their	to gain unauthorized access to systems.			
12. Continuous learning and improvement lead to pe	ersonal			
13. The latest model of the smartphone has advance	ed for better usability.			
14. Businesses need to adhere to regulations for legal				
15. The proposal requires the manager's	before implementation.			
16. Using advanced sensors helps in early	of potential issues.			
17. Effective is essential for smooth teamwork and collaboration.				
18. Regular practice enhances one's	in various areas.			
19. Countries may impose	as penalties for certain actions.			
20. Burglary involves the illegal of property.				



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

- 21. The spies successfully the enemy headquarters without being detected.
- 22. The synthetic diamonds are considered to be of origin.
- 23. The new car model boasts advanced safety for driver assistance.
- 24. Exposure to excessive solar can be harmful to living organisms.
- 25. The security system enables early of unauthorized access attempts.
- 26. are skilled individuals who use technology to gain unauthorized access.
- 27. Warning signs indicate potential on the hiking trail.
- 28. Continuous practice helps in honing one's professional.
- 29. Regular assessments track the project team's towards the set goals.
- 30. Solar ejections can disrupt satellite communications on Earth.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Achievement 2. Compromised 3. Superflares 4. Additives 5. Harmful 6. Platforms 7. Extort 8. Toxins 9. Confirmed 10. Geomagnetic

Gap-Fill: 11. Intelligence 12. Progress 13. Features 14. Compliance 15. Approval 16. Detection

17. Communication 18. Skills 19. Sanctions 20. Theft

Matching sentence: 1. Infiltrated 2. Artificial 3. Features 4. Radiation 5. Detection 6. Hackers 7. Dangers 8.

Skills 9. Progress 10. Coronal

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