



Sony Discontinues LittleBigPlanet 3 Servers, Deleting Fan-Made Creations

Description

Sony has announced the indefinite decommissioning of the PlayStation 4 servers for the puzzle platformer game, LittleBigPlanet 3. This decision comes after the servers were temporarily offline due to technical issues. Fans are concerned that numerous player creations, not saved locally, may be lost forever.

In an update on one of its support pages, Sony stated that due to ongoing problems, the servers for LittleBigPlanet 3 on PlayStation 4 will remain offline indefinitely. This means all online services, including access to other players' creations, are no longer available.

LittleBigPlanet 3, released in 2014, was popular for its creative gameplay and user-generated content. While offline features will still be accessible, players will no longer be able to share their creations or access content stored on Sony's servers.

The closure of the PS4 servers follows a similar shutdown for the PS3 version in 2021. Recent security concerns, including malicious mods, led to the decision to keep the servers offline permanently.

Players are lamenting the loss of millions of user-generated levels and creations. The shutdown is part of a trend where online services for older games are being retired, such as Nintendo's recent decision to end online multiplayer for Wii U and 3DS games.

Community manager Steven Isbell expressed sadness over the situation but assured players that he is available to listen and engage with the community. The closure of the LittleBigPlanet 3 servers marks the end of an era for many players who enjoyed the game's creative platforming experience.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **Decommissioning** // (noun): The act of taking something out of service or ceasing to use it.
2. **Indefinite** // (adjective): Not clearly defined or determined not precise or exact.
3. **Lamenting** // (verb): Expressing grief or sorrow mourning.
4. **Malicious** // (adjective): Intending or intended to do harm.
5. **Retired** // (adjective): Having left one's job and ceased to work.
6. **Platforming** // (noun): The genre of video games characterized by jumping to and from suspended platforms or over obstacles.

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What term is used to describe the act of stopping a product or service?

- Option: Enhanced
- Option: Discontinuing
- Option: Subscriber
- Option: Lossless

2. Who is considered as someone who pays for a service regularly?

- Option: Credibility
- Option: Subscriber
- Option: Decommissioning
- Option: Malicious

3. What term refers to a group of stars forming a recognizable pattern?

- Option: Spectacle
- Option: Subscription
- Option: Constellation



Option: Ecosystem

4. What term relates to the features or abilities of a particular system or product?

- Option: Underused
- Option: Capabilities
- Option: Lossless
- Option: Retired

5. Which term can mean putting something back together after it was taken apart?

- Option: Reassembled
- Option: Indefinite
- Option: Lamenting
- Option: Platforming

6. What is the name of the marine reptile that lived during the Mesozoic era?

- Option: Amateur
- Option: Meteor
- Option: Ichthyosaur
- Option: Malicious

7. Which word describes something that has been improved or made better?

- Option: Enhanced
- Option: Stargazers
- Option: Shower
- Option: Curating

8. What celestial event typically results in a bright streak of light in the sky?

- Option: Capabilities
- Option: Lamenting
- Option: Meteor
- Option: Ecosystem

9. What term is used to describe items or signals that point to a particular situation or trend?

- Option: Subscriber
- Option: Package
- Option: Indicators
- Option: Decommissioning

10. Which term refers to the process of shutting down or retiring a system or service?



- Option: Decommissioning
- Option: Amateur
- Option: Malicious
- Option: Enhanced

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

11. A _____ is a person who receives or pays for a service regularly.
12. The _____ of a source is crucial when evaluating its reliability.
13. The fireworks display was a breathtaking _____ in the night sky.
14. The Amazon rainforest is a complex and diverse _____.
15. The new compression technology promises _____ audio quality.
16. The subscription includes a comprehensive software _____.
17. An _____ astronomer discovered a new comet in the night sky.
18. The timeline for the project is still _____ due to unforeseen delays.
19. The virus was identified as a _____ attempt to harm computer systems.
20. The company is actively _____ its products to reach a wider audience.

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

21. Astronomy enthusiasts who observe the night sky with telescopes and binoculars.
22. A celestial event where numerous meteors appear to originate from a single point in the sky.
23. Pieces of rock or metal that enter the Earth's atmosphere from space.
24. The quality of being trusted and believed in.
25. Someone who receives or pays for a service regularly.
26. Improved or increased in quality value or performance.



27. A collection of related items or services sold together.
28. Refers to data compression that allows the original data to be perfectly reconstructed from the compressed data.
29. The features or abilities of a particular system or product.
30. Items or signals that point to a particular situation or trend.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Discontinuing 2. Subscriber 3. Constellation 4. Capabilities 5. Reassembled 6. Ichthyosaur
7. Enhanced 8. Meteor 9. Indicators 10. Decommissioning

Gap-Fill: 11. Subscriber 12. Credibility 13. Spectacle 14. Ecosystem 15. Lossless 16. Package 17. Amateur
18. Indefinite 19. Malicious 20. Platforming

Matching sentence: 1. Stargazers 2. Shower 3. Debris 4. Credibility 5. Subscriber 6. Enhanced 7. Package
8. Lossless 9. Capabilities 10. Indicators

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