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# Sony to Stop Physical PlayStation Discs from 2028

## Description

Sony will cease the production of physical discs for new PlayStation games starting in January 2028. This marks a significant shift towards digital distribution in the gaming industry.

The announcement was made by Sony Interactive Entertainment on its official PlayStation Blog. All new games released after January 2028 will only be available digitally, either through the PlayStation Store or select retailers. The company explained that this decision reflects a change in consumer behaviour, as many players prefer to download games rather than purchase physical copies.

Sony stated, "As consumer preferences and the broader entertainment industry continue to shift away from physical discs to digital, physical game disc production for all new games releasing on PlayStation consoles will be discontinued starting January 2028." However, this change will not affect games that have already launched or those scheduled for release on disc before the cutoff date.

This move aligns with a broader trend in the entertainment sector, where music, films, and PC games are increasingly transitioning to digital formats. This shift helps reduce costs associated with manufacturing, packaging, and shipping while granting instant access to purchases for consumers.

Sony confirmed that new games will remain accessible through both the PlayStation Store and physical retailers, but future releases will not have physical disc versions. The transition aims to match how most players engage with games today, maintaining flexibility in purchasing options.

Looking ahead, Sony plans to focus on innovation in gaming access, ensuring a world-class experience for players and expressing gratitude for their support.

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## Vocabulary List:

1. **cease** //si:s// (verb): stop happening or make something end
2. **distribution** //,dɪstrə'bjʊ:fən// (noun): movement of goods to stores or people
3. **retailers** //'ri:teɪlərz// (noun): shops or companies that sell to customers
4. **consumer** //'kən'su:mər// (noun): a person who buys or uses goods
5. **discontinued** //,dɪskən'tɪnju:d// (verb): no longer made or provided to customers
6. **manufacturing** //,mænjə'fæktʃərɪŋ// (noun): making goods in large amounts for sale

## Comprehension Questions



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## Multiple Choice

1. When will Sony cease the production of physical discs for new PlayStation games?  
Option: January 2025  
Option: January 2026  
Option: January 2028  
Option: January 2030
2. Where was the announcement about the change in production made?  
Option: Official PlayStation Website  
Option: Sony Interactive Entertainment Blog  
Option: Gaming News Site  
Option: Social Media
3. What will all new PlayStation games released after January 2028 be available as?  
Option: Physical copies  
Option: Digital only  
Option: Pre-owned copies  
Option: Subscription service
4. What does Sony attribute this change in production to?  
Option: Financial loss  
Option: Change in consumer behavior  
Option: Technological difficulties  
Option: Market competition
5. Which of the following sectors is mentioned as also transitioning to digital formats?  
Option: Food industry  
Option: Entertainment sector  
Option: Automobile industry  
Option: Fashion industry
6. Will games that have already launched be affected by this new decision?  
Option: Yes, all games  
Option: No, only future releases  
Option: Only select titles  
Option: Yes, but only if they are popular



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### True-False

7. Sony will continue to produce physical discs for PlayStation games after January 2028.
8. Games will only be available digitally after the cutoff date.
9. The announcement was made on Sony's official Twitter account.
10. The shift to digital formats is a growing trend in the entertainment industry.
11. Sony's decision has no relation to consumer preferences.
12. Old games will continue to be available in physical formats even after the transition.

### Gap-Fill

13. Sony will cease physical disc production for new PlayStation games starting in \_\_\_\_\_ .
14. Sony made the announcement on its official PlayStation \_\_\_\_\_ .
15. New games will be accessible digitally through the PlayStation Store and select \_\_\_\_\_ .
16. This move is part of a broader trend in the entertainment \_\_\_\_\_ .
17. Physical game disc production will be discontinued for all new games releasing on PlayStation consoles starting \_\_\_\_\_ 2028.
18. Sony plans to focus on innovation in gaming access, ensuring a \_\_\_\_\_ experience for players.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. January 2028 2. Sony Interactive Entertainment Blog 3. Digital only 4. Change in consumer behavior



5. Entertainment sector 6. No, only future releases

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

**Gap-Fill:** 13. January 2028 14. Blog 15. retailers 16. sector 17. January 18. world-class

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