

US Ban Looms as TikTok Loses Court Appeal

Description

TikTok will not be able to change a law that could ban or sell the app in the US starting in 2025. The app's owners argued that this law is not fair and hurts the free speech of its 170 million users in the US. However, a court said that the law is okay. They believe it is important for national security because of TikTok's connection to China, which TikTok denies.

TikTok plans to ask the US Supreme Court for help. A representative from TikTok said the court usually protects free speech. They believe the law is based on bad information.

Donald Trump, the former president, may help TikTok. He said that if he wins the 2024 election, he might stop the ban. Trump will be inaugurated on January 20, one day after the law takes effect.

Other social media companies like Meta are getting ready in case TikTok is banned. Some users are worried about this and feel that their rights are in danger. They want to keep using TikTok instead of moving to other apps.

Vocabulary List:

1. Ban /bæn/ (noun/verb): A decree that prohibits something; to impose such a prohibition.

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- 2. Inaugurated /ɪ'nɔ:g.jʊ.reɪ.tɪd/ (verb): To formally bring into office or have a ceremony marking the beginning.
- 3. **Security** /sɪ'kjʊr.ɪ.ti/ (noun): The state of being free from danger or threat.
- 4. **Connection** /kə'nɛkʃən/ (noun): A relationship in which a person thing or idea is linked or associated with something else.
- 5. Argued /'a:rg.ju:d/ (verb): To present reasons for or against something in a debate.
- 6. **Information** /,In.fər'meI.Jən/ (noun): Data or facts that are communicated or received.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What is the main reason cited for the US law that could ban or sell TikTok?

Option: National security concerns due to TikTok's connection to China Option: Privacy breaches of TikTok users



Option: Competition with other social media apps Option: Violation of copyright laws

2. Who believes that the US law is important for national security?

Option: TikTok owners **Option: Representative from TikTok Option:** Court ruling **Option: Donald Trump**

3. What action does TikTok plan to take regarding the US law?

Option: File a lawsuit against the US government Option: Ask the US Supreme Court for help Option: Shut down operations in the US Option: Ignore the law and continue operations

4. Who stated that the US Supreme Court typically protects free speech? NEWS.COM

Option: Donald Trump Option: TikTok owners Option: Representative from TikTok **Option: Meta CEO**

5. What could Donald Trump potentially do if he wins the 2024 election?

Option: Start his own social media app Option: Ban all social media apps in the US Option: Help stop the ban on TikTok Option: Implement stricter regulations on social media companies

6. Why are some TikTok users worried about the potential ban?

Option: Concerns over data privacy Option: Fear of losing their favorite app Option: Threats to national security Option: Impact on their free speech rights

True-False

7. TikTok owners believe the US law that could ban the app is fair.

8. Donald Trump is currently the President of the United States.

- 9. Meta is preparing for the potential ban of TikTok.
- 10. The US law is based on concerns regarding TikTok's connection to Russia.
- 11. Some TikTok users prefer moving to other apps if TikTok gets banned.
- 12. TikTok denies any connection to China.

Gap-Fill

13. TikTok's owners argued that the law banning the app hurts the free speech of its

_____ million users in the US.

14. Donald Trump might help TikTok stop the ban if he wins the ______ election.

15. TikTok plans to ask the US Supreme Court for help in challenging the law starting in

16. Other social media companies like ______ are preparing in case TikTok is banned.

17. Some users feel that their rights are in danger and want to keep using TikTok instead of moving to other

18. Donald Trump could potentially help TikTok one day after he is inaugurated on _____

20.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. National security concerns due to TikTok's connection to China 2. Court ruling 3. Ask the US Supreme Court for help 4. Representative from TikTok 5. Help stop the ban on TikTok 6. Impact on their free speech rights

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. False 12. False Gap-Fill: 13. 170 14. 2024 15. 2025 16. Meta 17. apps 18. January



Vocabulary quizzes

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

- 1. Who are individuals responsible for producing content or ideas?
 - **Option: Experts Option:** Creators **Option:** Support **Option: Findings**
- 2. What is essential for improvement and progress based on reactions and comments?
 - **Option:** Gather **Option: Feedback Option:** Atmosphere **Option: Security**
- 3. What process involves systematic investigation to establish facts or reach new conclusions? ESL-NEWS
 - **Option:** Argued **Option: Algorithm Option: Research Option: Simulations**
- 4. Which type of compounds contain carbon and are typically found in living organisms?
 - **Option: Obstacles Option: Minerals Option: Sulfides Option: Organic**
- 5. What term describes the linkage or relationship between two or more elements?
 - **Option: Findings Option: Connection Option: Understanding Option: Ban**
- 6. What process involves the circulation of hot water through rock formations?
 - **Option: Sulfur Option: Hydrothermal Option: Methanol Option: Security**
- 7. Which term implies that something is proposed or recommended as a course of action?



Option: Support **Option:** Sulfur **Option: Suggests Option:** Available

8. What refers to measures taken to ensure safety and protection?

Option: Inaugurated **Option: Security Option:** Support **Option:** Gather

9. What is a step-by-step procedure used to solve mathematical problems or complete tasks?

Option: Navigate **Option:** Information **Option:** Sulfur **Option: Algorithm**

10. What pertains to the overall mood or feeling in a particular environment? ESL-NEWS.CO

Option: Movements **Option: Obstacles Option:** Atmosphere **Option:** Creators

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

11	are individuals with specialized knowl	edge or skills in a particular field.
12	is assistance or encouragement provi	ded to help someone or something.
13. A is an official restriction prohibiting certain actions or behaviors.		
14. The new facility was	last week with a ceremonial opening.	
15. The artist's painting capt	ured the fluid	of the dancers.
16. The research project concluded with unexpected that challenged existing		
theories.		
17. Effective communication	is key to building mutual	between individuals.



18. The panel ______ over the best approach to address the issue at hand.

19. The company's website provides detailed ______ about their products and services.

20. Pilots undergo extensive training using flight ______ to prepare for various scenarios.

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

- 21. The scientist used a spectrometer to analyze the composition of the light.
- 22. In the lab the researchers synthesized to use as a solvent in the reaction.
- 23. The volcanic eruption released large amounts of dioxide into the atmosphere.
- 24. The geologist identified several valuable in the rock samples collected.
- 25. The metallurgist studied the properties of different metal to optimize production.
- 26. The film credits acknowledged the of the movie for their vision and artistry.
- 27. Before the meeting the team will all relevant data to prepare for discussions.
- 28. The mentor provided valuable advice and emotional to the new employee.
- 29. The forensic investigation required the expertise of to analyze the evidence.
- 30. Customer is crucial for businesses to improve their products and services.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Creators 2. Feedback 3. Research 4. Organic 5. Connection 6. Hydrothermal 7. Suggests 8. Security 9. Algorithm 10. Atmosphere

Gap-Fill: 11. Experts 12. Support 13. Ban 14. Inaugurated 15. Movements 16. Findings 17. Understanding 18. Argued 19. Information 20. Simulations

Matching sentence: 1. Spectral 2. Methanol 3. Sulfur 4. Minerals 5. Sulfides 6. Creators 7. Gather 8. Support 9. Experts 10. Feedback

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