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## WCBS/880 AM to Switch to ESPN New York Radio

### Description

Audacy, the radio and podcast giant, recently made a significant announcement that WCBS/880 AM, the cherished all-news radio station synonymous with the iconic phrase "Traffic and weather together on the 8's," will cease operations on August 26. In a surprising turn of events, Audacy will transfer the 880 frequency to ESPN New York, a direct competitor to its own WFAN sports radio talk station. This move also means that the Mets games will still be broadcasted on 880 AM.

Unfortunately, this transition will result in the layoff of numerous staff members, including well-known personalities in the New York broadcasting scene. The Writers Guild of America East has confirmed that approximately two dozen employees, such as chief meteorologist Craig Allen and managing editor Tom Kaminski, will be affected by this decision. The station's morning and afternoon anchors, along with writers, editors, and technical support staff, will also be let go.

Audacy attributed this change to the challenges faced by local journalism, further emphasizing its commitment to focus its news coverage efforts in the New York metropolitan area on its flagship station, 1010 WINS. Despite the necessity of this strategic realignment, the news of WCBS/880 AM signing off has understandably been met with sadness and shock by both listeners and employees alike.

The decision by Audacy reflects broader trends in the media landscape, where traditional news outlets are grappling with evolving consumer habits and increased competition from digital platforms. As the radio industry navigates these challenges, the departure of WCBS/880 AM serves as a poignant reminder of the evolving nature of journalism and the impact of these changes on local communities.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **Cherished** /ˈtʃɛrɪʃt/ (adjective): Regarded with deep affection and caring.
2. **Operations** /ˌɒpəˈreɪʃənz/ (noun): The fact or condition of functioning or being active.
3. **Transition** /trænˈzɪʃən/ (noun): The process or period of change from one state or condition to another.
4. **Attributable** /əˈtrɪb.ju.tə.bəl/ (adjective): Able to be regarded as being caused by.
5. **Trends** /trɛndz/ (noun): General directions in which something is developing or changing.
6. **Poignant** /ˈpɔɪ.njənt/ (adjective): Evoking a keen sense of sadness or regret.

### Vocabulary quizzes



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

1. Which of the following words means something beloved or valued greatly?  
Option: Cherished  
Option: Infamous  
Option: Autonomy  
Option: Heft
2. What refers to general directions in which something is developing or changing?  
Option: Operations  
Option: Trends  
Option: Attributable  
Option: Acumen
3. Which term describes the likelihood of dramatic price swings in the stock market or an indicator?  
Option: Rebound  
Option: Volatility  
Option: Disappointing  
Option: Capitalization
4. What word refers to the ability or right to make one's own decisions without interference?  
Option: Mandate  
Option: Autonomy  
Option: Infamous  
Option: Bullish
5. Which term means a renewed interest or revival after a period of inactivity?  
Option: Retracing  
Option: Decline  
Option: Plunge  
Option: Resurgence
6. Which term indicates a sudden and strong increase in activity or value?  
Option: Anticipate  
Option: Bustled  
Option: Optimism  
Option: Surged
7. What word suggests weight significance or importance of something?  
Option: Cherished  
Option: Heft  
Option: Volatility



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Option: Wipeout

8. Which term conveys the feeling of not reaching an expected level of achievement or satisfaction?

Option: Liquidated

Option: Disappointing

Option: Attributable

Option: Cherished

9. To expect or predict something is to \_\_\_\_\_ it.

Option: Cherished

Option: Anticipate

Option: Transition

Option: Bustled

10. What term refers to the activities involved in running a business or organization?

Option: Trends

Option: Operations

Option: Poignant

Option: Interference

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

11. A period of change from one state or condition to another is known as a \_\_\_\_\_.

12. An official order or commission to do something is referred to as a \_\_\_\_\_.

13. Being optimistic about the rise in prices or overall market is to have a \_\_\_\_\_ outlook.

14. The hopefulness and confidence about the future or the success of something is called

\_\_\_\_\_.

15. Having a reputation of being well-known for some bad quality or deed is to be \_\_\_\_\_.

16. A complete destruction or obliteration of something is termed as a \_\_\_\_\_.

17. The total value of a company's outstanding shares of stock is its market \_\_\_\_\_.

18. Something that can be ascribed to a specific cause or factor is said to be \_\_\_\_\_.

19. Something that evokes a keen sense of sadness or regret is described as \_\_\_\_\_.



20. The action of getting involved in a situation where one is not welcome or needed is called \_\_\_\_\_.

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

21. Examining the steps of a journey or process in reverse order to recall or follow previous actions.
22. The emotional attitudes or opinions individuals hold towards a particular topic often reflected in their actions or expressions.
23. A sudden and steep decrease especially in value price or a physical descent.
24. The process of winding up a company's affairs and distributing its assets often due to insolvency or financial difficulty.
25. The degree of variation or fluctuation in the trading price of a financial instrument such as a stock or currency pair.
26. Treasured or valued greatly often with deep affection or sentiment attached.
27. To move or act with a great show of energy and activity typically in a bustling or hurried manner.
28. Experiencing a sudden and significant increase or rise in activity value or power.
29. Keen insight perceptiveness or shrewdness in understanding and making quick decisions.
30. The process or period of changing from one state condition or activity to another.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Cherished 2. Trends 3. Volatility 4. Autonomy 5. Resurgence 6. Surged 7. Heft  
8. Disappointing 9. Anticipate 10. Operations

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Transition 12. Mandate 13. Bullish 14. Optimism 15. Infamous 16. Wipeout 17. Capitalization  
18. Attributable 19. Poignant 20. Interference

**Matching sentence:** 1. Retracing 2. Sentiment 3. Plunge 4. Liquidated 5. Volatility 6. Cherished 7. Bustled  
8. Surged 9. Acumen 10. Transition

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