



Zuckerberg Adopts Cautious Approach in Social Media Addiction Trial

Description

Zuckerberg faced intense questioning during a court session about how Meta, the company behind Facebook and Instagram, operates. The CEO often accused Lanier, the person questioning him, of misunderstanding his previous comments. When asked about emails, Zuckerberg typically objected, citing their age or his lack of knowledge about the employees involved. He often stated, "I don't think so," when asked about knowing key figures at Meta.

Lanier suggested that Zuckerberg's answers seemed rehearsed, mentioning his media training. Zuckerberg joked about his skills, saying, "I think I'm sort of well-known to be pretty bad at this," which amused the courtroom. Lanier later showed documents revealing how Zuckerberg was guided on how to answer questions, including while testifying. When asked about speaking to the media due to his role, Zuckerberg said, "More than I would like," which drew laughter again.

A strict warning was given to anyone wearing recording glasses during the proceedings, reminding them about the rules against recording.

Lanier's lawsuit tries to work around important laws that protect tech companies from being blamed for user content. Zuckerberg maintained that the lawsuit misrepresents how Meta functions. When evidence showed that Meta aimed to increase user engagement, Zuckerberg said these were not real objectives. Lanier pointed out that K.G.M., a young user, signed up for Instagram before it asked for age details, highlighting concerns about Meta's policies. In a strong ending, Lanier presented a large display of K.G.M.'s posts, signifying the time spent on the app. Zuckerberg, surprised, replied, "I'm not sure that's accurate." When given a chance to present a positive view of Meta, Zuckerberg said, "I wanted people to have a good experience with it."

Vocabulary List:

1. **Questioning** /'kwɛs.tʃən.ɪŋ/ (noun): The act of asking questions often to clarify or elicit information.
2. **Rehearsed** /rɪ'hɪst/ (adjective): Practiced in advance often to achieve a specific performance.
3. **Engagement** /ɪn'ɡeɪdʒ.mənt/ (noun): The act of participating or being involved especially in a communication context.
4. **Policies** /'pɒl.ɪ.sɪz/ (noun): A course or principle of action adopted or proposed by an organization.
5. **Objective** /əb'dʒɛk.tɪv/ (noun): A goal or aim that one intends to achieve.
6. **Signifying** /'sɪŋ.nɪ.faɪ.ɪŋ/ (verb): To represent or indicate something; to mean.



Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Who questioned Zuckerberg during the court session?
Option: Mark Zuckerberg
Option: Lanier
Option: Facebook
Option: Instagram
2. What does Meta operate?
Option: Twitter
Option: Facebook and Instagram
Option: LinkedIn
Option: Snapchat
3. What did Zuckerberg claim when asked about knowing key figures at Meta?
Option: I know many
Option: I don't think so
Option: I have met them
Option: I don't remember
4. What kind of training did Zuckerberg's answers seem to reflect?
Option: Legal training
Option: Media training
Option: Public speaking training
Option: Technical training
5. What did Zuckerberg say about speaking to the media?
Option: I love it
Option: More than I would like
Option: I avoid it
Option: I do it rarely
6. What concern did K.G.M.'s sign-up for Instagram highlight?
Option: Privacy issues



- Option: Age verification policies
- Option: User engagement
- Option: Content creation

True-False

7. Zuckerberg objected to questions about emails due to their age.
8. Lanier's lawsuit supports tech companies being blamed for user content.
9. Zuckerberg admitted he knows key figures at Meta.
10. The courtroom reacted positively to Zuckerberg's joking remarks.
11. A warning was given against recording during the proceedings.
12. Zuckerberg believed that Meta's objectives were real.

Gap-Fill

13. Zuckerberg faced intense questioning during a court _____ about how Meta operates.
14. Lanier suggested that Zuckerberg's answers seemed _____ during the questioning.
15. Zuckerberg joked about being known to be _____ at answering questions.
16. Lanier pointed out that K.G.M. signed up for Instagram before it asked for _____ details.
17. Zuckerberg said he wanted people to have a good _____ with the app.
18. A strict warning was given against _____ glasses during the proceedings.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Lanier 2. Facebook and Instagram 3. I don't think so 4. Media training 5. More than I would like



6. Age verification policies

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

Gap-Fill: 13. session 14. rehearsed 15. bad 16. age 17. experience 18. recording

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What term describes a significant disturbance that interrupts normal operations?

Option: Disruption

Option: Engagement

Option: Performance

Option: Innovation

2. What term refers to systems or settings that are incorrectly set up?

Option: Operational

Option: Misconfigured

Option: Clarified

Option: Controversial

3. What are measures taken to protect against risks and hazards?

Option: Policies

Option: Safeguards

Option: Regulators

Option: Concerns

4. Who are the authorities responsible for overseeing compliance?

Option: Innovators

Option: Regulators

Option: Turbines

Option: Permits

5. What term is used for the substances released into the atmosphere?

Option: Permits

Option: Pollutants

Option: Innovations

Option: Emissions

6. What term refers to the process of developing new ideas and methods?

Option: Agility

Option: Innovation



- Option: Concern
- Option: Performance

7. What measures the effectiveness of an organization or project?

- Option: Revenue
- Option: Performance
- Option: Misconfigured
- Option: Violation

8. What term describes information that is kept secret?

- Option: Controversial
- Option: Agility
- Option: Confidential
- Option: Disruption

9. What term is associated with income generated from business activities?

- Option: Revenue
- Option: Performance
- Option: Emissions
- Option: Policies

10. What action is taken when someone acknowledges a mistake or offense?

- Option: Criticise
- Option: Apologise
- Option: Clarified
- Option: Concern

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

- 11. The sudden _____ in service caused inconvenience to many customers.
- 12. The team focused on improving the _____ efficiency of the system.
- 13. The manager _____ the project objectives during the meeting.
- 14. New company _____ were introduced to enhance employee safety.
- 15. The main _____ of the initiative is to reduce waste and improve sustainability.
- 16. The proposal was deemed _____ due to its potential impact on the environment.



17. The company faced penalties for _____ of environmental regulations.
18. Investment in _____ is crucial for the growth of the economy.
19. The startup's _____ allows it to quickly adapt to market changes.
20. Wind _____ are used to generate renewable energy from wind currents.

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

21. The power outage led to a significant disruption in services provided to customers.
22. The workshop encouraged greater engagement among team members for better collaboration.
23. There is a growing concern about the impacts of climate change on global health.
24. Implementing proper safeguards is essential to protect sensitive data from breaches.
25. The company prides itself on fostering a culture of innovation to stay ahead in the market.
26. The report did not hesitate to criticise the lack of transparency in the decision-making process.
27. Analysts predicted that the new technology would transform the industry landscape.
28. The factory is working to reduce the pollutants it emits into the atmosphere.
29. The main objective of the campaign was to raise awareness about recycling.
30. Performance metrics are crucial for assessing the effectiveness of business strategies.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Disruption 2. Misconfigured 3. Safeguards 4. Regulators 5. Emissions 6. Innovation 7. Performance 8. Confidential 9. Revenue 10. Apologise

Gap-Fill: 11. interruption 12. operational 13. clarified 14. policies 15. objective 16. controversial 17. violation 18. infrastructure 19. agility 20. turbines

Matching sentence: 1. disruption 2. engagement 3. concern 4. safeguards 5. innovation 6. criticise 7. predicted 8. pollutants 9. objective 10. performance

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