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HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: AMAZON REVEALS HOLIDAY SEASON RESULTS
HEADLINE 2: RETAILER DELIVERED MORE THAN 1.5B TOYS, HOME PRODUCTS AND ELECTRONICS GLOBALLY
AMAZON DELIVERED BILLIONS OF ITEMS DURING A RECORD-BREAKING HOLIDAY SEASON.
THE COMPANY SAYS IT DELIVERED MORE THAN 1.5 BILLION TOYS, HOME AND BEAUTY PRODUCTS, AND ELECTRONICS GLOBALLY.
AND IT SAYS INDEPENDENT BUSINESSES THAT SELL ON AMAZON BENEFITED FROM A 50 PERCENT INCREASE IN SALES FROM LAST YEAR'S HOLIDAY SEASON.
THIS COMES AS AMAZON IS EXPECTED TO RELEASE ITS FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORTS NEXT MONTH.
https://www.aboutamazon.com/news/retail/thank-you-to-amazon-customers-employees-and-selling-partners
https://www.cnet.com/news/amazon-delivered-billions-of-items-during-record-breaking-holiday-season/
https://www.geekwire.com/2020/amazon-sold-billions-products-holiday-period-third-party-sales-50-globally/
https://thehill.com/policy/technology/531871-amazon-delivered-more-than-15-billion-items-over-holiday-season

HEADLINE: GOOGLE TESTS NEW SEARCH FEATURE
HEADLINE 2: FEATURE WILL SURFACE INSTAGRAM AND TIKTOK VIDEOS IN A VIDEO CAROUSEL
GOOGLE IS TESTING A NEW SEARCH FEATURE THAT WILL SHOW INSTAGRAM AND TIKTOK VIDEOS IN THEIR OWN DEDICATED CAROUSEL.
WHEN USERS CLICK ON THESE RESULTS, THEY'RE DIRECTED TO THE WEB VERSION OF THE SOCIAL PLATFORMS INSTEAD OF THE APPS. THAT MEANS THEY'RE JUST A TAP OF THE BACK BUTTON AWAY FROM RETURNING TO GOOGLE.
THE MOVE COULD HELP GOOGLE RETAIN USER TRAFFIC.
SO FAR THIS FEATURE IS AVAILABLE FOR SOME SEARCHES ON MOBILE.
https://techcrunch.com/2020/12/29/google-pilots-a-search-feature-that-aggregates-short-form-videos-from-tiktok-and-instagram/
https://gizmodo.com/google-is-testing-a-short-video-carousel-that-would-s-1845965410?scrolla=5eb6d68b7fedc32c19ef33b4
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HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: FAA ISSUES NEW RULES FOR SMALL DRONES

HEADLINE 2: OPERATORS WILL BE ALLOWED TO FLY DRONES AT NIGHT AND OVER PEOPLE

THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION HAS ISSUED NEW RULES ALLOWING SMALL DRONES TO FLY AT NIGHT AND OVER PEOPLE.

DRONES FLYING AT NIGHT WILL NEED TO HAVE ANTI-COLLISION LIGHTS AND NO EXPOSED ROTATING PARTS THAT COULD CUT PEOPLE'S SKIN.

OPERATORS MUST ALSO USE REMOTE ID SYSTEMS SO THE DRONES CAN BE IDENTIFIED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT.

THE NEW RULES ARE SEEN AS PREPARATION FOR PACKAGE DELIVERY SYSTEMS USING DRONES.

https://www.faa.gov/news/press_releases/news_story.cfm?newsId=25541

https://www.npr.org/2020/12/29/951010863/u-s-announces-new-rules-for-drones-and-their-operators

https://www.cnet.com/news/ups-amazon-delivery-drones-are-a-step-closer-to-reality-with-new-us-rules/

https://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/national-international/faa-outlines-new-rules-for-drones-and-their-operators/2432696/

HEADLINE: HOME DEPOT RECALLS 190K CEILING FANS

HEADLINE 2: BLADES CAN DETACH WHILE CEILING FAN IS IN USE

MORE THAN 190,000 CEILING FANS SOLD AT HOME DEPOT STORES ARE BEING RECALLED OVER BLADES FALLING OFF WHILE THE FAN SPINS.

THE RECALL APPLIES TO THE HAMPTON BAY 54-INCH MARA INDOOR AND OUTDOOR CEILING FANS SOLD FROM APRIL THROUGH OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR.

DISTRIBUTOR KING OF FANS SAYS IT HAS RECEIVED 47 REPORTS OF BLADES DETACHING FROM THE FAN, INCLUDING TWO INSTANCES WHERE PEOPLE WERE INJURED.

http://www.kingoffans.com/MaraRecall.htm

https://cpsc.gov/Recalls/2021/King-of-Fans-Recalls-Hampton-Bay-Mara-Ceiling-Fans-Due-to-Injury-Hazard-Sold-Exclusively-at-Home-Depot

https://www.cnet.com/news/ceiling-fans-sold-at-home-depot-recalled-after-reports-of-blades-flying-off/

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HI I'M NEWSY'S ADAM ELRASHIDI BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: INVESTOR SUES CYBERPUNK 2077 DEVELOPER

HEADLINE 2: WIDESPREAD GLITCHES REPORTED BY GAMERS

AN INVESTOR IS SUING GAMING DEVELOPER CD PROJEKT OVER ITS VIDEO GAME "CYBERPUNK 2077," CLAIMING THAT THE COMPANY WAS MISLEADING ABOUT THE GAME'S PERFORMANCE, RESULTING IN FINANCIAL LOSSES.

BLOOMBERG REPORTS THAT CD PROJEKT SAID IT WILL DEFEND ITSELF AGAINST THE INVESTOR'S CLAIMS.
SONY REMOVED THE GAME FROM THE PLAYSTATION STORE AND OFFERED REFUNDS AFTER PLAYERS REPORTED WIDESPREAD GLITCHES AND COMPATIBILITY ISSUES.
CD PROJEKT SAYS IT HAS SOLD MORE THAN 13 MILLION COPIES OF CYBERPUNK 2077 SINCE ITS DECEMBER 10 LAUNCH.
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https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/25/22199768/cdprojekt-cyberpunk-2077-lawsuit-launch
https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2020-12-26/cyberpunk-maker-vows-defense-against-class-action-suit-claims?sref=ExbtjcSG

HEADLINE: SAMSUNG ACCEPTING GALAXY S21 PREORDERS
HEADLINE 2: TRADE-IN VALUE PART OF PRE-LAUNCH ONLINE EFFORT
SAMSUNG IS ACCEPTING PREORDERS FOR ITS GALAXY S21 SMARTPHONE LINEUP AHEAD OF ITS REPORTED MID TO LATE JANUARY RELEASE.
SHOPPERS WILL NOT PAY ANYTHING TO RESERVE THEIR DEVICE BUT CAN GET A TRADE-IN VALUE ON OLD PHONES.
UP TO $700 OF INSTANT TRADE-IN CREDIT AND $50 TOWARD ACCESSORIES FOR THE GALAXY S21 IS AVAILABLE THROUGH SAMSUNG DOT COM.
ACCORDING TO THE TECH SITE C-NET, THE PHONES WILL HAVE FASTER 5G AND EXTENDED BATTERY LIFE.
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/28/22202683/samsung-galaxy-s21-ultra-plus-s-pen-preorder-reserve
https://www.samsung.com/us/smartphones/the-next-galaxy/reserve/?SID=___vg__e_21966724__r_theverge.com__t_w__?CID=afl-ecomm-cjn-cha-092118-53012&cjevent=df628e9f492811eb837e084f0a240613&utm_source=11557370&utm_medium=8532386&utm_campaign=verge&AID=11557370&PID=8532386&SID=verge
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HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: NEW CHAT APP AIMED AT GEN Z
HEADLINE 2: HONK MESSAGES APPEAR IN REAL TIME; APP HAS NO CHAT HISTORY
HONK HAS LAUNCHED A NEW INTERACTIVE MESSAGING APP AIMED AT TEENS AND TWEENS.

THE APP LETS USERS MESSAGE EACH OTHER IN REAL TIME -- THAT MEANS MESSAGES SHOW UP AS YOU TYPE. THERE'S NO SEND BUTTON AND NO CHAT HISTORY.
MESSAGES HAVE A 160-CHARACTER LIMIT.
USERS CAN ALSO TRY TO GRAB OTHERS' ATTENTION BY "HONKING" THEM -- SENDING A NOTIFICATION TO JOIN A CHAT.
USERS HAVE REPORTED SOME ISSUES, WHICH HONK SAYS ARE DUE TO A FLOOD OF NEW SIGNUPS -- BUT IT'S AVAILABLE NOW FOR IOS.
https://twitter.com/usehonk
https://techcrunch.com/2020/12/23/honk-introduces-a-real-time-ephemeral-messaging-app-aimed-at-gen-z/

HEADLINE: NYT LAUNCHES "SHATTERED CROSSWORDS"
HEADLINE 2: GAME LETS INSTAGRAM USERS SOLVE PUZZLES IN AUGMENTED REALITY
THE NEW YORK TIMES HAS INTRODUCED AN AUGMENTED REALITY CROSSWORD GAME ON INSTAGRAM.
IN “SHATTERED CROSSWORDS,” USERS FIND SHARDS OF CROSSWORD ANSWERS IN A-R AND MOVE AROUND TO FIND THE WORDS HIDDEN WITHIN THEM.
THE MOBILE GAME IS AVAILABLE ON THE NEW YORK TIMES’ INSTAGRAM PROFILE UNDER THE EFFECTS TAB.
https://techcrunch.com/2020/12/22/the-new-york-times-launches-an-ar-enabled-crossword-on-instagram/
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/22/22195849/new-york-times-crossword-augmented-reality-instagram
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12/23
HI I’M NEWSY’S NATHAN BYRNE BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: LYFT OFFERS 60M DISCOUNTED RIDES
HEADLINE 2: COMPANY IS OFFERING RIDES FOR PEOPLE SEEKING COVID VACCINE
LYFT WANTS TO HELP LOW-INCOME, UNINSURED, AND AT-RISK AMERICANS GET THE COVID VACCINE ONCE IT BECOMES MORE WIDELY AVAILABLE.
THE COMPANY SAYS IT IS PARTNERING WITH JPMORGAN CHASE, ANTHEM, AND THE UNITED WAY, AMONG SEVERAL OTHERS, TO PROVIDE 60 MILLION FREE OR DISCOUNTED RIDES TO AND FROM VACCINATION SITES.
LYFT'S COMPETITOR UBER RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL PROVIDE 10 MILLION FREE OR DISCOUNTED RIDES FOR PEOPLE GETTING COVID VACCINATIONS.
https://www.lyft.com/blog/posts/lyft-launches-vaccine-access-campaign?linkId=100000025053054
https://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/2020/12/22/vaccine-rides-lyft-offer-free-rides-low-income-riders/4005338001/

HEADLINE: GAMESTOP TO ACCEPT CYBERPUNK 2077 RETURNS
HEADLINE 2: CUSTOMERS CAN RETURN GAME WITHIN 30 DAYS, EVEN IF OPENED
GAMESTOP HAS REPORTEDLY TOLD EMPLOYEES TO ACCEPT RETURNS OF THE VIDEO GAME CYBERPUNK 2077, EVEN IF IT'S BEEN OPENED.
THAT'S ACCORDING TO KOTAKU AND A VICE NEWS REPORTER.
CUSTOMERS CAN RETURN THE PLAYSTATION 4 AND XBOX ONE VERSIONS OF THE GAME WITHIN 30 DAYS OF PURCHASE FOR A REFUND.
GAMESTOP DOESN'T USUALLY ACCEPT RETURNS OF OPENED GAMES -- BUT THIS IS A UNIQUE CASE. SONY HAS REMOVED CYBERPUNK 2077 FROM ITS PLAYSTATION STORE AND IS OFFERING REFUNDS AFTER PLAYERS REPORTED WIDESPREAD GLITCHES AND PERFORMANCE ISSUES.
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/22/22195420/gamestop-cyberpunk-2077-returns-even-if-opened
https://kotaku.com/source-gamestop-now-accepting-returns-of-defective-c-1845930739
https://twitter.com/patrickklepek/status/1341134244437962753
https://care.gamestop.com/store-return-policy
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12/22
HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: VIMEO TO BE A STANDALONE PUBLIC COMPANY
HEADLINE 2: VIDEO PLATFORM'S SPINOFF PLANNED FOR SECOND QUARTER OF 2021
VIMEO WILL BECOME AN INDEPENDENT PUBLICLY TRADED COMPANY.
THE VIDEO SOFTWARE COMPANY IS CURRENTLY OWNED BY IAC, WHICH ALSO OPERATES CARE.COM AND DOTDASH.
IAC SAYS IT EXPECTS THE SPINOFF TO HAPPEN IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2021.
IT HOPES THIS CHANGE WILL HELP VIMEO RAISE CAPITAL TO FURTHER INVEST IN PRODUCT, TECH AND SALES CAPABILITIES.
VIMEO NOW HAS 200 MILLION USERS AND HAS SEEN RAPID GROWTH DURING THE PANDEMIC.
https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/iac-announces-plan-to-spin-off-vimeo-to-iac-shareholders-301197537.html
https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/22/iac-announces-itll-spin-off-vimeo.html
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/22/22195072/vimeo-iac-2021-independent-public-company-video-streaming

HEADLINE: NISSAN WILL LET YOU BUY A CAR ONLINE
HEADLINE 2: SHOPPERS CAN SET UP TEST DRIVES AND NEGOTIATE PRICES THROUGH THE NEW SERVICE
NISSAN HAS LAUNCHED A NEW ONLINE CAR BUYING SERVICE CALLED "NISSAN@HOME."

THE SERVICE ALLOWS SHOPPERS TO SCHEDULE A TEST DRIVE, NEGOTIATE ON PRICE AND COMPLETE THE PAPERWORK — ALL ONLINE.
NISSAN TESTED THE SERVICE AT SEVEN DEALERSHIPS IN FIVE STATES AND RECEIVED POSITIVE FEEDBACK.
NISSAN@HOME WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DEALERSHIPS NATIONWIDE STARTING IN SPRING 2021.
https://www.autoblog.com/2020/12/21/nissan-at-home-service-rolls-out
https://www.cnet.com/roadshow/news/nissan-online-car-shopping-nationwide-rollout/
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12/21
HI I'M NEWSY'S NATHAN BYRNE BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: UBER OFFERS 10M FREE OR DISCOUNTED RIDES
HEADLINE 2: COMPANY WILL GIVE RIDES TO PEOPLE GETTING COVID VACCINATIONS
UBER IS OFFERING 10 MILLION FREE OR DISCOUNTED RIDES TO PEOPLE SEEKING CORONAVIRUS VACCINES.
THE COMPANY SAYS IT'S WORKING TO ENSURE THAT THOSE MOST IN NEED CAN GET TO AND FROM A VACCINATION APPOINTMENT.
UBER IS PARTNERING WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT SERVE COMMUNITIES OF COLOR BECAUSE COVID HAS DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED THESE GROUPS. ITS PARTNERS INCLUDE THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE, THE MOREHOUSE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, AND THE NATIONAL ACTION NETWORK.
IN MARCH, UBER OFFERED ANOTHER 10 MILLION RIDES AND DELIVERIES TO HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND SENIORS.
https://www.uber.com/newsroom/10-million-rides/
https://www.cnet.com/news/uber-offers-10-million-rides-to-people-seeking-covid-vaccinations/

HEADLINE: WALMART ADDS PICKUP OPTION FOR RETURNS
HEADLINE 2: "CARRIER PICKUP" BY FEDEX LETS PEOPLE RETURN ITEMS WITHOUT LEAVING HOME
WALMART HAS ADDED A NEW PICKUP OPTION CALLED "CARRIER PICKUP" BY FEDEX.
THE SERVICE LETS CUSTOMERS RETURN ITEMS WITHOUT LEAVING THEIR HOMES.
CUSTOMERS CAN START THE RETURN PROCESS ON WALMART'S WEBSITE OR APP, PRINT OUT A SHIPPING LABEL, AND SCHEDULE A TIME FOR FEDEX TO PICK UP THE ITEM.
WALMART SAYS CARRIER PICKUP IS FREE FOR ITEMS SHIPPED AND SOLD ON ITS SITE. IT'S AVAILABLE IN AREAS WHERE FEDEX OFFERS SMALL-PARCEL PICKUP SERVICE.
https://corporate.walmart.com/newsroom/2020/12/21/tis-the-season-for-hassle-free-returns
https://www.cnet.com/news/walmart-adds-pickup-option-for-returns-ahead-of-the-holidays/
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HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: AMAZON LAUNCHES GROUP CALLING FEATURE
HEADLINE 2: CUSTOMERS CAN MAKE AUDIO, VIDEO CALLS WITH UP TO 7 PEOPLE
AMAZON IS LAUNCHING A NEW GROUP CALLING FEATURE FOR ECHO DEVICES.
THE FEATURE WILL ALLOW UP TO SEVEN PEOPLE TO JOIN AN AUDIO OR VIDEO CALL ON SUPPORTED ECHO DEVICES LIKE THE ECHO DOT AND ECHO SHOW.
THE GROUP CALLING FEATURE IS AVAILABLE IN SEVERAL COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE U.S., THE U.K. AND CANADA.
https://www.aboutamazon.com/news/devices/new-ways-alexa-can-help-you-stay-connected-with-loved-ones
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/18/22188551/amazon-echo-group-calling-video-voice-calls-feature-available?scrolla=5eb6d68b7fedc32c19ef33b4
https://www.cnet.com/news/amazon-adds-group-calling-to-echos-zoom-support-to-echo-show-8/
HEADLINE: "CYBERPUNK 2077" PULLED FROM PS STORE
HEADLINE 2: COMPANY WILL OFFER FULL REFUNDS TO CUSTOMERS WHO BOUGHT GAME DIGITALLY
SONY HAS REMOVED THE VIDEO GAME "CYBERPUNK 2077" FROM THE PLAYSTATION STORE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
THE COMPANY SAID IT WILL ISSUE A FULL REFUND FOR CUSTOMERS WHO PURCHASED THE GAME DIGITALLY.
THIS COMES AFTER MANY CUSTOMERS COMPLAINED ABOUT THE GAME OVER TECHNICAL GLITCHES AND COMPATIBILITY ISSUES ON OLDER CONSOLES.
CUSTOMERS CAN STILL BUY A PHYSICAL COPY OF THE GAME IN STORES AND ONLINE.
SONY SAYS BOTH PHYSICAL AND DIGITAL VERSIONS OF CYBERPUNK 2077 WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE SUPPORT AND UPDATES.
https://www.playstation.com/en-us/cyberpunk-2077-refunds/
https://www.npr.org/2020/12/18/947954910/after-a-swarm-of-bugs-sony-pulls-cyberpunk-2077-from-the-playstation-store
https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/18/sony-pulls-cyberpunk-2077-from-playstation-store-after-backlash.html
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HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: EU APPROVES GOOGLE'S FITBIT ACQUISITION

HEADLINE 2: APPROVAL COMES WITH CONDITIONS ON HEALTH DATA STORAGE AND USE
THE EUROPEAN UNION HAS CONDITIONALLY APPROVED GOOGLE'S $2.1 BILLION ACQUISITION OF FITBIT.
THE APPROVAL STIPULATES THE COMPANY CANNOT USE THE HEALTH DATA OF EU FITBIT USERS FOR ADVERTISING.
GOOGLE ALSO HAS TO KEEP FITBIT AND GOOGLE DATA TECHNICALLY SEPARATED -- AND MAKE SURE USERS CAN OPT IN OR OUT OF SHARING HEALTH DATA WITH OTHER GOOGLE SERVICES.
GOOGLE HAS TO AGREE TO MEET THOSE CONDITIONS FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS.
THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION INVESTIGATED GOOGLE'S DATA AND ADVERTISING PRACTICES FOR MONTHS PRIOR TO THIS APPROVAL.
https://www.cnet.com/news/googles-2-1-billion-fitbit-acquisition-wins-conditional-eu-approval/
https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/17/googles-2point1-billion-acquisition-of-fitbit-approved-by-eu.html
https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_1446

HEADLINE: BBC STUDIOS TO LAUNCH "BBC SELECT"
HEADLINE 2: STREAMING CHANNEL TO FOCUS ON "CULTURE, POLITICS AND IDEAS"
BBC STUDIOS IS LAUNCHING A SUBSCRIPTION STREAMING CHANNEL IN THE U.S. AND CANADA EARLY NEXT YEAR.
"BBC SELECT" WILL BE AD-FREE AND FEATURE CONTENT FOCUSING ON "CULTURE, POLITICS, AND IDEAS."
BBC STUDIOS SAY THE PROGRAMMING WILL AIM TO HIGHLIGHT DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES THROUGH "A CANDID, UNBIASED, AND SOMETIMES PLAYFUL LENS."
THE CHANNEL WILL BE AVAILABLE ON AMAZON PRIME VIDEO AND APPLE TV.
THE LAUNCH DATE, PRICING, AND FULL CONTENT LINEUP HAVE YET TO BE ANNOUNCED.
https://www.bbcstudiospressroom.com/press/bbc-studios-set-to-launch-bbc-select/
https://www.bbcselect.com
https://deadline.com/2020/12/bbc-select-streamer-1234657413/
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HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: TWITTER TO SHUT DOWN PERISCOPE
HEADLINE 2: PLATFORM SAYS DECLINING USAGE, INCREASED COSTS MAKES THE APP UNSUSTAINABLE
TWITTER WILL SHUT DOWN ITS LIVE STREAMING APP PERISCOPE BY MARCH 31 BECAUSE OF DECLINING USAGE AND RISING COSTS.

USERS WILL BE ABLE TO DOWNLOAD AN ARCHIVE OF THEIR PERISCOPE BROADCASTS AND DATA BEFORE THE APP IS REMOVED FROM THE APP STORES.
TWITTER SAYS IT WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER LIVE VIDEO STREAMING THROUGH ITS INTEGRATED TWITTER LIVE FEATURE IN THE MAIN TWITTER APP.
TWITTER BOUGHT PERISCOPE IN 2015.
https://periscope.medium.com/farewell-periscope-164db2742b7c
https://www.cnet.com/news/twitter-is-shutting-down-periscope-in-2021-because-it-costs-too-much-to-run/

HEADLINE: GOOGLE MEET OFFERS MORE LIVE CAPTIONS
HEADLINE 2: MORE LANGUAGES ADDED, INCLUDING SPANISH AND GERMAN
GOOGLE MEET HAS ADDED LIVE CAPTIONS IN FOUR MORE LANGUAGES TO MAKE MEETINGS MORE INCLUSIVE.
LIVE CAPTIONS IN SPANISH, FRENCH, GERMAN, AND PORTUGUESE WILL BE AVAILABLE ACROSS ALL VERSIONS OF THE VIDEOCONFERENCING PLATFORM.
GOOGLE SAYS THAT LIVE CAPTIONS ALLOW USERS WHO ARE DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING, AND THOSE IN NOISY ENVIRONMENTS, TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN MEETINGS.
THIS COMES AS GOOGLE MEET USE HAS GROWN DURING SOCIAL DISTANCING AND WORK-FROM-HOME RULES DURING THE PANDEMIC.
https://workspaceupdates.googleblog.com/2020/12/additional-language-support-for-live-captions.html
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/15/22175268/google-meet-live-captions-french-german-portuguese-spanish
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HI I'M NEWSY'S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: AMAZON LAUNCHES CUSTOM T-SHIRTS
HEADLINE 2: VIRTUAL BODY DOUBLE MADE WITH CUSTOMER'S MEASUREMENTS
AMAZON HAS LAUNCHED A NEW SERVICE CALLED "MADE FOR YOU" THAT LETS USERS CREATE A CUSTOM T-SHIRT BASED ON THEIR MEASUREMENTS.
USERS PROVIDE AMAZON WITH THEIR HEIGHT, WEIGHT, BODY STYLE, AND TWO PHOTOS OF THEMSELVES THAT ARE THEN USED TO CREATE A "VIRTUAL BODY DOUBLE" TO MODEL THE CUSTOM SHIRT.
THE COMPANY SAYS IT AUTOMATICALLY DELETES THE PHOTOS AFTER A USER'S VIRTUAL DOUBLE BODY IS CREATED.
A CUSTOM T-SHIRT COSTS $25.
https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/15/amazon-made-for-you-uses-virtual-body-double-to-create-custom-t-shirts.html

https://www.amazon.com/stores/made+for+you/page/E853E0F0-6F79-442D-B7E8-3A0E0531FAF2?ref_=ast_bln

HEADLINE: GOOGLE DISCONTINUES GOOGLE HOME MAX
HEADLINE 2: COMPANY WILL STILL PROVIDE SOFTWARE UPDATES, SECURITY FIXES
GOOGLE HAS DISCONTINUED ITS GOOGLE HOME MAX SMART SPEAKER PRODUCT.
A GOOGLE SPOKESPERSON SAYS THE COMPANY WILL STILL SUPPORT THE DEVICE WITH SOFTWARE UPDATES AND SECURITY FIXES.
GOOGLE LAUNCHED GOOGLE HOME MAX IN DECEMBER 2017.
THIS COMES AFTER THE COMPANY RELEASED ITS NEWEST SMART SPEAKER CALLED "NEST AUDIO" IN OCTOBER.
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/14/22175243/google-home-max-discontinued-smart-speaker-support
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HI I'M NEWSY'S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: TIKTOK LAUNCHES APP ON SAMSUNG SMART TVS
HEADLINE 2: USERS IN EUROPE CAN SEE VIDEOS ON THEIR TVS
TIKTOK HAS LAUNCHED AN APP ON SAMSUNG SMART TVS IN EUROPE.
BUSINESS INSIDER REPORTS THAT EUROPEANS CAN ACCESS THE APP ON SAMSUNG SMART TV MODELS MADE IN 2018 OR LATER.
THE TIKTOK CONTENT HAS BEEN ORGANIZED INTO 12 CATEGORIES, INCLUDING GAMING, FOOD AND ANIMALS.
NO MENTION OF A U.S. LAUNCH JUST YET.
https://news.samsung.com/uk/samsung-and-tiktok-launch-tiktok-app-on-samsung-smart-tvs-in-europe
https://www.businessinsider.com/tiktok-app-tv-samsung-2020-12
https://www.cnet.com/news/tiktok-is-coming-to-samsung-smart-tvs-in-europe/

HEADLINE: BEST BUY TO OFFER MORE NEXT-GEN CONSOLES
HEADLINE 2: ONLINE-ONLY SALES FOR PLAYSTATION 5 BUT STORE PICKUP OFFERED
BEST BUY SAYS IT WILL HAVE MORE NEXT-GEN GAMING CONSOLES THIS WEEK.
STARTING AT 8 A.M. ON DECEMBER 15, THE RETAILER WILL RESTOCK ITS *ONLINE INVENTORY OF PLAYSTATION 5, XBOX SERIES X AND S CONSOLES.
THE CONSOLES CAN BE PURCHASED ONLY ONLINE... BUT CAN BE PICKED UP AT A BEST BUY STORE OR ALTERNATIVE LOCATIONS, INCLUDING UPS AND CVS STORES.
THIS COMES AS THE NEXT-GEN CONSOLES REMAIN VERY DIFFICULT FOR GAMERS TO FIND FOR PURCHASE.
https://corporate.bestbuy.com/more-gaming-consoles-3-day-sale-arrive-dec-15/

https://www.cnet.com/news/best-buy-says-that-it-will-have-more-playstation-5-xbox-series-x-and-s-stock-tomorrow-dec-15/

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HI I'M NEWSY'S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: FACEBOOK WON'T REQUIRE COVID VACCINE

HEADLINE 2: COMPANY SAYS IT WON'T REQUIRE EMPLOYEE VACCINATIONS BEFORE RETURNING TO OFFICES

FACEBOOK SAYS IT WILL NOT REQUIRE EMPLOYEES TO GET A CORONAVIRUS VACCINE BEFORE RETURNING TO ITS OFFICES.

THAT'S ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM THE DAILY BEAST.

A FACEBOOK SPOKESPERSON TOLD THE OUTLET THE COMPANY WILL HAVE SAFETY PROTOCOLS IN PLACE WHEN RETURNING TO THE WORKPLACE, INCLUDING TESTING AND SOCIAL DISTANCING. EMPLOYEES HAVE THE OPTION OF WORKING REMOTELY UNTIL AT LEAST JULY 2021, REGARDLESS OF WHEN VACCINES ARE AVAILABLE.

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https://www.cnet.com/news/facebook-employees-wont-be-required-to-get-covid-19-vaccine-to-return-to-office/

HEADLINE: GOOGLE LETS USERS LIMIT CERTAIN ADS

HEADLINE 2: USERS CAN CHOOSE TO LIMIT ALCOHOL OR GAMBLING ADS

GOOGLE IS INTRODUCING A NEW FEATURE THAT WILL GIVE PEOPLE THE OPTION TO SEE FEWER ALCOHOL OR GAMBLING ADS.

THE COMPANY SAYS THE FEATURE WILL FIRST ROLL OUT FOR YOUTUBE ADS IN THE U.S.

THE FEATURE WILL LAUNCH FOR GOOGLE ADS AND GLOBAL YOUTUBE ADS EARLY NEXT YEAR.

GOOGLE HAS PREVIOUSLY ALLOWED USERS TO HIDE SPECIFIC ADS, BUT THE NEW FEATURE TARGETS ENTIRE AD CATEGORIES.

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https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/10/22168280/google-ad-policy-gambling-alcohol-ban-limit-monetization

https://techcrunch.com/2020/12/10/google-youtube-ads-alcohol-gambling/

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12/10

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HEADLINE: TWITTER PARTNERS WITH SNAPCHAT
HEADLINE 2: USERS CAN ADD TWEETS INTO A SNAP AS A STICKER
TWITTER HAS PARTNERED WITH SNAP TO INTEGRATE TWEETS INTO THE APP AS A STICKER.
THE FEATURE WILL ONLY WORK FOR TWEETS FROM PUBLIC ACCOUNTS RATHER THAN PRIVATE ACCOUNTS.
A TWITTER SPOKESPERSON TOLD TECHCRUNCH IT HOPES TO PARTNER WITH OTHER PLATFORMS TO LET PEOPLE SHARE TWEETS MORE WIDELY.
FOR NOW, THE FEATURE IS AVAILABLE FOR IOS WITH ANDROID INTEGRATION COMING SOON.
https://techcrunch.com/2020/12/10/snap-launches-a-native-twitter-integration/
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/10/22166657/twitter-share-tweets-snapchat-snap-ios-feature-launch

HEADLINE: WYZE LAUNCHES "WYZE HOME MONITORING"
HEADLINE 2: HOME MONITORING SYSTEM WORKS WITH WYZE CAMERAS TO ALERT TRAINED DISPATCHERS
WYZE HAS INTRODUCED A NEW PROFESSIONAL MONITORING SYSTEM TO ITS SMART HOME LINEUP.
THE "WYZE HOME MONITORING," OFFERS 24/7 MONITORING BY TRAINED DISPATCHERS AND UPDATED MOTION AND ENTRY SENSORS.
THE SERVICE WORKS WITH WYZE CAMERAS TO AUTOMATICALLY RECORD WHEN MOTION IS DETECTED OR WHEN A DOOR OPENS.
THE HOME SECURITY MARKET IS BOOMING--FROM ABOUT $53 BILLION DOLLARS GLOBALLY IN 2020 TO $77 BILLION BY 2025.
https://wyze.com/home-security-monitoring
https://www.cnet.com/news/wyze-introduces-professional-home-monitoring-starting-at-5-per-month/
https://www.openpr.com/news/2206169/home-security-system-market-size-share-trends-forecast
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12/09
HI I'M NEWSY'S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: YOUTUBE REMOVING ELECTION FRAUD CONTENT
HEADLINE 2: TARGETS VIDEOS ALLEGING WIDESPREAD FRAUD, ERRORS AFFECTED 2020 ELECTION
YOUTUBE WILL START REMOVING MORE MISLEADING CONTENT ABOUT THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

THE COMPANY SAYS IT'S TARGETING VIDEOS THAT "MISLEADS PEOPLE BY ALLEGING THAT WIDESPREAD FRAUD OR ERRORS CHANGED THE OUTCOME OF THE 2020 U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION."
YOUTUBE SAYS IT MADE THE DECISION BECAUSE THE “SAFE HARBOR” DEADLINE -- THE DATE WHEN LEGAL CHALLENGES TO ELECTIONS ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED -- HAS PASSED, AND THAT ENOUGH STATES HAVE CERTIFIED THEIR ELECTION RESULTS TO NAME A PRESIDENT-ELECT.
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https://www.theepochtimes.com/youtube-to-delete-content-alleging-presidential-election-fraud_3611197.html
https://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/2020/12/09/elections-2020-youtube-remove-misleading-videos-election-results/6506325002/

HEADLINE: NETFLIX ANNOUNCES "KIDS ACTIVITY REPORT"
HEADLINE 2: MEANT TO HELP PARENTS UNDERSTAND WHAT THEIR CHILDREN WATCH
NETFLIX HAS ANNOUNCED A NEW TOOL FOR PARENTS CALLED “KIDS ACTIVITY REPORT."
IT DISPLAYS WHAT KINDS OF SHOWS AND WHICH CHARACTERS KIDS WATCH MOST, AND MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON KIDS' INTERESTS.
THE TOOL ALSO FEATURES A JOKE OF THE DAY, COLORING PAGES, AND PREPARED QUESTIONS ABOUT FAVORITE SHOWS MEANT TO HELP PARENTS START CONVERSATIONS WITH THEIR CHILDREN.
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/8/22163863/netflix-family-profile-kids-activity-report-data-movies-tv-shows-individual
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12/08
HI I’M NEWSY’S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: GOOGLE ADDS APPLE MUSIC TO SMART DEVICES
HEADLINE 2: OWNERS CAN USE GOOGLE ASSISTANT TO STREAM MUSIC
SUPPORT FOR APPLE MUSIC HAS BEEN ADDED TO GOOGLE ASSISTANT-ENABLED SMART SPEAKERS AND DISPLAYS.
OWNERS WILL BE ABLE TO LINK THEIR APPLE MUSIC ACCOUNT IN THE GOOGLE HOME APP AND SET IT AS THE DEFAULT SERVICE ON THE SPEAKERS.
USERS WILL BE ABLE TO ASK GOOGLE ASSISTANT TO STREAM MUSIC BASED ON GENRE, MOOD, OR ACTIVITY OR REQUEST APPLE MUSIC TO STREAM THEIR SONG LIBRARY.
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/7/22157873/google-apple-music-assistant-nest-smart-speakers-displays

https://techcrunch.com/2020/12/07/google-adds-support-for-apple-music-to-its-google-assistant-enabled-smart-speakers-and-displays/

HEADLINE: APPLE LAUNCHES APPLE FITNESS PLUS
HEADLINE 2: FITNESS STREAMING SERVICE WILL HAVE GUIDED WORKOUTS IN CYCLING, DANCE, ROWING
A NEW EXERCISE FEATURE FOR THE APPLE WATCH WILL LAUNCH SOON.
APPLE FITNESS PLUS WILL HAVE GUIDED WORKOUTS IN CYCLING, DANCE, TREADMILL WALKING, TREADMILL RUNNING, STRENGTH, AND ROWING.
POST-WORKOUT...USERS CAN SEE MINDFUL COOL-DOWN VIDEOS.
THE SERVICE COSTS $9.99 PER MONTH, AND THE SUBSCRIPTION CAN BE SHARED WITH UP TO SIX PEOPLE IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD.
APPLE FITNESS PLUS LAUNCHES ON MONDAY.
https://www.cnet.com/news/apple-fitness-plus-is-launching-on-dec-14/
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12/07
HI I'M NEWSY'S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: IKEA TO END PRINTED CATALOG
HEADLINE 2: RETAILER SAYS MORE PEOPLE SHOPPING ONLINE
IKEA IS DISCONTINUING ITS ICONIC PRINTED CATALOG AFTER 70 YEARS.
THE COMPANY SAYS IT HAS BECOME MORE DIGITAL AND THAT FEWER PEOPLE READ THE IKEA CATALOG TODAY THAN YEARS PAST.
THE COMPANY SAID THE PANDEMIC FORCED IT TO EMBRACE ONLINE SHOPPING MORE.
ONLINE RETAIL SALES INCREASED TO 45 PERCENT WORLDWIDE OVER THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR.
IKEA WILL CELEBRATE THE IKEA CATALOG WITH A FINAL BOOK LAUNCHING IN AUTUMN 2021.
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https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/7/22158345/ikea-kills-catalog

HEADLINE: COSTCO EXTENDS SPECIAL OPERATING HOURS
HEADLINE 2: SPECIAL HOURS FOR SENIORS, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
COSTCO WILL CONTINUE ITS SPECIAL OPERATING HOURS FOR SENIORS AND THE DISABLED BECAUSE OF THE INCREASE IN CORONAVIRUS CASES.
THE SPECIAL OPERATING HOURS ARE TYPICALLY BEFORE THE STORE OPENS FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

PEOPLE 60 AND OLDER AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES OR WHO ARE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED CAN SHOP EARLY BUT GUESTS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED. COSTCO IS ALSO GIVING PRIORITY ACCESS IN ITS STORES TO HEALTHCARE WORKERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS.
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12/04
HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: GOOGLE HOLDS SOME MEETINGS OUTDOORS
HEADLINE 2: NEW EMPLOYEES CAN MEET THEIR MANAGERS FACE-TO-FACE
GOOGLE HAS BEGUN HOLDING OUTDOOR MEETINGS ON COMPANY CAMPUSES.
THE COMPANY SAYS THIS ALLOWS TEAM MEMBERS TO COLLABORATE OFFLINE FOR IMPORTANT PROJECTS AND GIVES NEW EMPLOYEES THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THEIR MANAGERS.
THIS COMES AS GOOGLE PREPARES FOR EMPLOYEES TO RETURN TO OFFICES IN A HYBRID FORMAT NEXT YEAR.
https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/02/google-allowing-employees-to-hold-some-meetings-outdoors-on-campus.html

HEADLINE: WARNER BROS. TRIES NEW STREAMING MODEL
HEADLINE 2: NEW MOVIES WILL STREAM ON THE SAME DAY THEY'RE RELEASED IN THEATERS
WARNER BROTHERS WILL RELEASE ALL 2021 MOVIES FOR STREAMING ON THE SAME DAY THEY HIT THEATERS.
EACH FILM WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ONE MONTH ON HBO MAX AT NO EXTRA COST TO SUBSCRIBERS. THEN IT'LL LEAVE THE STREAMING SERVICE TO BE EXCLUSIVELY AVAILABLE IN THEATERS. AFTER THE BOX OFFICE, MOVIES WILL FOLLOW THE USUAL STEPS FOR HOME VIEWING: DVDS AND EVENTUALLY STREAMING AGAIN.
WARNER BROTHERS SAYS THIS HYBRID APPROACH IS IN RESPONSE TO THE PANDEMIC. THIS COMES THREE WEEKS BEFORE "WONDER WOMAN 1984" IS SET TO BE RELEASED IN THEATERS AND ON HBO MAX.
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https://www.usatoday.com/story/entertainment/movies/2020/12/03/warner-bros-every-2021-movie-hbo-max/3812015001/
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12/03
HI I'M NEWSY'S GAGE JACKSON BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: FACEBOOK TO REMOVE FALSE COVID CLAIMS
HEADLINE 2: PLATFORM WILL REMOVE MISINFORMATION ABOUT COVID VACCINES
FACEBOOK HAS PLEDGED TO REMOVE MISINFORMATION ABOUT CORONAVIRUS VACCINES THAT HAVE BEEN DEBUNKED BY PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERTS.
THE COMPANY SAYS POSTS TARGETED FOR REMOVAL FROM FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM COULD INCLUDE FALSE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SAFETY, EFFICACY, INGREDIENTS, OR SIDE EFFECTS OF THE VACCINES.
FACEBOOK SAYS IT WILL CONTINUE TO PROMOTE OFFICIAL SOURCES TO HELP USERS STAY INFORMED ABOUT THE VACCINES.
YOUTUBE AND TIK TOK HAVE ALSO SAID THEY WOULD REMOVE VACCINE MISINFORMATION FROM THEIR PLATFORMS.
https://about.fb.com/news/2020/12/coronavirus/
https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/03/facebook-to-remove-misinformation-about-coronavirus-vaccines.html
https://www.cnet.com/news/facebook-pledges-to-remove-false-claims-about-covid-19-vaccines/

HEADLINE: TWITTER EXPANDS HATE SPEECH POLICY
HEADLINE 2: PLATFORM WILL PROHIBITS TWEETS DEHUMANIZING PEOPLE BASED ON RACE, ETHNICITY
TWITTER HAS EXPANDED ITS CONDUCT POLICY ON HATEFUL SPEECH TO PROHIBIT LANGUAGE DEHUMANIZING PEOPLE BASED ON RACE, ETHNICITY, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN.
UNDER THE NEW RULES, USERS WILL BE ASKED TO REMOVE TWEETS WITH DEHUMANIZING LANGUAGE ON THE PLATFORM.
IF A USER REPEATEDLY VIOLATES THE TWITTER RULES, THEN THE COMPANY MAY TEMPORARILY LOCK OR SUSPEND THEIR ACCOUNT.
IN MARCH, TWITTER HAD EXPANDED ITS POLICY TO INCLUDE CONTENT THAT DEHUMANIZES BASED ON AGE, DISABILITY, OR DISEASE.
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https://www.engadget.com/twitter-hate-speech-rules-race-ethnicity-194849330.html
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12/02
HI I'M NEWSY'S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: DISCOVERY TO LAUNCH DISCOVERY+

HEADLINE 2: STREAMING SERVICE WILL OFFER CONTENT FROM DISCOVERY-OWNED CHANNELS

DISCOVERY IS LAUNCHING ITS OWN STREAMING SERVICE CALLED DISCOVERY PLUS.
THE NEW SERVICE WILL OFFER 55,000 EPISODES FROM 2,500 SHOWS FROM DISCOVERY-OWNED CHANNELS AS WELL AS FROM A&E NETWORKS AND BBC'S NATURAL HISTORY COLLECTION.
SUBSCRIPTION OPTIONS INCLUDE A $4.99 PER MONTH AD-SUPPORTED TIER OR $6.99 PER MONTH WITHOUT ADS.
DISCOVERY PLUS LAUNCHES ON JANUARY 4.
https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/02/discovery-to-launch-streaming-service-in-january-for-4point99-per-month.html
https://www.cnet.com/news/discovery-plus-streaming-service-to-launch-jan-4-with-free-year-for-verizon-customers/

HEADLINE: STARBUCKS OFFERS FREE COFFEE
HEADLINE 2: FIRST RESPONDERS, HEALTH CARE WORKERS WILL GET A FREE TALL COFFEE IN DECEMBER

STARBUCKS IS OFFERING FIRST RESPONDERS AND HEALTH CARE WORKERS A FREE CUP OF COFFEE.
NOW THROUGH NEW YEAR'S EVE, ANY CUSTOMER WHO IDENTIFIES AS A FRONT-LINE RESPONDER WILL RECEIVE A FREE TALL BREWED HOT OR ICED COFFEE.
THOSE ELIGIBLE INCLUDE DOCTORS, PHARMACISTS, POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS, PARAMEDICS, DENTISTS, MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS, AND HOSPITAL STAFF.
STARBUCKS SAYS THE LIMITLESS FREE COFFEE IS A WAY TO SHOW WORKERS BATTLING THE CORONAVIRUS HOW MUCH THEY ARE APPRECIATED.
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HI I'M NEWSY'S JOHANNAH GRENAWAY BRINGING YOU THE LATEST TECH HEADLINES.

HEADLINE: UBER COMPLETES POSTMATES ACQUISITION
HEADLINE 2: POSTMATES, UBER EATS APPS WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE SEPARATELY

UBER HAS OFFICIALLY COMPLETED ITS $2.65 BILLION ACQUISITION OF THE DELIVERY COMPANY POSTMATES.
THE ALL-STOCK DEAL WILL HELP INCREASE UBER'S GROWING EFFORTS IN BRINGING GROCERIES, ESSENTIALS, AND OTHER GOODS DIRECTLY TO CUSTOMERS.

UBER SAYS THE POSTMATES AND UBER EATS APPS WILL CONTINUE TO RUN SEPARATELY, BUT WILL BE SUPPORTED BY A COMBINED MERCHANT AND DELIVERY NETWORK.
UBER ANNOUNCED ITS DEAL TO BUY POSTMATES IN JULY.
https://www.uber.com/newsroom/stronger-together-uber-eats-postmates-partner-to-benefit-merchants/
https://www.cnet.com/news/uber-completes-its-2-65b-deal-to-buy-postmates/

HEADLINE: MICROSOFT TEAMS REVAMPS CALLING INTERFACE
HEADLINE 2: INTERFACE WILL SHOW CONTACTS, VOICEMAILS, CALLING HISTORY IN A SINGLE LOCATION
MICROSOFT HAS REVAMPED ITS CALLING INTERFACE FEATURES FOR MICROSOFT TEAMS.
THE INTERFACE WILL NOW DISPLAY CONTACTS, VOICEMAILS, AND CALLING HISTORY IN A SINGLE LOCATION.
AIMED AT REPLACING USERS' DESK PHONES, IT HAS BUILT-IN SPAM PROTECTION, REVERSE NUMBER LOOKUP, AND THE ABILITY TO MERGE CALLS.
USERS WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSFER CALLS BETWEEN MOBILE AND DESKTOP TO QUICKLY MOVE LOCATIONS IN THE MIDDLE OF AN AUDIO OR VIDEO CALL.
https://www.theverge.com/2020/12/1/21754862/microsoft-teams-calling-update-carplay-onedrive-recording-features
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