

Subject: Cancelling the cancel culture**I. True or false.**

1. Cancel culture began around 2017, as part of the #MeToo movement.
2. The word culture or cult comes from Old English.
3. Dr Seuss' children stories were targeted by cancel culture.
4. Hoop earrings were a symbol of Black Power in the 1840s.
5. The term 'woke' was revived in the 2010s.

Answer key:
1. True, 2. False, 3. True,
4. False, 5. True

II. Match the words with their synonyms.

1. Boundary	a. Doubtful
2. Questionable	b. Horde
3. Mob	c. Penalising
4. Mockery	d. Travesty
5. Suppress	e. Silence
6. Punishment	f. Condemnation
7. Shaming	g. Border

Answer Key:
1 g, 2 a, 3 b, 4 d, 5 e, 6 c, 7 f

III. Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

1. Anyone can become a self-appointed arbiter of right and wrong, the jury and the judge.
2. Cancel culture is now a to-go solution for anything that might even mildly challenge someone's status quo or stir their feelings.
3. It have also confiscated the public arena as a space for discussing vital social issues and monopolised it with issues of petty consequence.
4. It creates trauma, and in its worst form, it had costed lives.
5. The word culture or cult comes from the Latin words to cultivate and warship, which in terms of human culture means a set of desirable ideas to follow.

Answer key:
1. the judge and the jury; 2. Cancel culture is now a go-to solution; 3. It has also confiscated the public arena; 4. in its worst form, it has cost lives; 5. comes from the Latin words to cultivate and worship

VI. Choose the correct answer.

1. Cancel culture began as part of the #MeToo movement when many Hollywood A-listers were publicly called out over accusations of:
 - a. embezzlement
 - b. sexual harassment
 - c. human trafficking
2. A person whose job consist sof searching for offensive content is called:
 - a. a whistle-blower
 - b. a sensitivity reader
 - c. a censor
3. Woke is an adjective meaning:
 - a. awake
 - b. aware of the culture one lives in
 - c. alert to racial prejudice and discrimination
4. Cancel culture's biggest platform is/are:
 - a. social media
 - b. television
 - c. the radio
5. Nowadays, cancel culture may target:
 - a. anyone
 - b. only celebrities
 - c. politicians and celebrities

IV. Put the words in the right categories.

cancel | culture | mockery | instance | encouragement | safe | skilful | punishment
worship | problem | ancient | publishing | aggravate | freedom | internal

positive

negative

neutral

Answer key:
Positive:
encouragement, safe,
skilful, worship, freedom
Negative:
cancel, mockery,
punishment, problem,
aggravate
Neutral:
culture, publishing,
instance, internal, ancient

V. Fill the gaps using the words below.

behaviour | cancel | persona non grata | erase | shape | circumstances

1. We're sorry to inform today's talk has been
2. He's been punished for his bad
3. You have to the bad memories and only remember the good ones.
4. Young people are our future.
5. She's been banned from all future conferences. She became
6. Under no can you publish the apology before it's accepted by our PR team.

Answer key:
1 cancelled, 2 behaviour, 3 erase,
4 shaping, 5 persona non grata,
6 circumstances