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VOCABULARY

Restrict	To check that something is true or correct.
Harm	To limit or control something.
Excessive	An official rule that people must follow.
Verify	The right to express your opinions and ideas.
Law	To hurt or cause damage.
Freedom of speech	Too much or more than necessary.

WORD FAMILIES

Organize the words in the correct category

protective **differ** **restrict** **safety** **differently** **protection**

harmfully **harm** **harmful** **safely** **restrictive** **difference**

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
	protect		N/A
	harm		
restriction			N/A
		different	
	N/A	safe/unsafe	

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PRACTICE WORD FAMILIES

1. The government wants to _____ children from online dangers.
A. protection
B. protect
C. protective

2. Some online platforms may contain _____ content.
A. harm
B. harmful
C. harmlessly

3. The proposed law could introduce new _____ on online platforms.
A. restrictions
B. restrict
C. restrictive

4. There is a significant _____ between the two proposals.
A. different
B. differently
C. difference

5. Online _____ is an important concern for parents.
A. safe
B. safety
C. safely

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The Norwegian government is considering a new law that would restrict access to certain online platforms for children under 16. The proposal aims to protect young people from harmful content, excessive screen time, and contact with strangers. Platforms such as TikTok, Snapchat, and Roblox could be affected.
Technology companies might be required to verify users' ages. However, messaging applications used for school communication may still be allowed. The government plans to submit the proposed law to parliament before the end of 2026.

Other European countries are also taking action. Denmark has introduced social media restrictions for children under 15, while Spain is considering a similar ban for children under 16. In France, a proposed ban for children under 15 was blocked because of concerns about freedom of speech.

For now, Norway's proposal is still under discussion and has not become law.

Answer the questions

1. What is the main purpose of Norway's proposed law?_____
2. Which platforms could be affected by the proposed restrictions?____
3. What might technology companies be required to do?_____
4. Which messaging applications may still be allowed?_____
5. According to the article, what is the difference between Denmark's and Spain's age limits?_____
6. In the article, the word “restrict” is closest in meaning to_____

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