

ban

1 Verb + ban

Use the correct form of these verbs:

announce defy impose
introduce lift support

1. The Football Association a three-match ban on the player for unprofessional behaviour.
2. Thousands of students the ban on political meetings. They held a mass demonstration in the main square demanding freedom of speech and free elections.
3. After the failure of the pay negotiations, the union a ban on overtime.
4. The government will the ban on fishing for scallops when scientists assure them that the shellfish are safe to eat.
5. Do you remember which airline was the first to a smoking ban on all its flights?
6. All delegates except the Japanese the worldwide ban on whaling.

2 A complete ban on something

Complete the sentences below with these ideas:

land mines tobacco advertising
the trade in ivory sale of handguns
using e-mail human cloning

1. From Monday there is to be a total ban on for personal purposes in office time. Anyone caught booking flights, for example, will be dismissed on the spot.
2. Thousands of children lost limbs in the aftermath of the war. All political parties are calling for a ban on the production and use of
3. In the aftermath of Dunblane and the American high school shootings, there were calls for a complete ban on the
4. In order to discourage young people from smoking, many western governments have imposed a blanket ban on
5. Many famous biologists believe that there should be an outright ban on
6. The African elephant is only surviving today because of the worldwide ban on

Go back and underline all the expressions meaning a complete ban.

3 Put + a ban on

Notice the difference between these sentences:

- a. They've banned the advertising of alcohol.
- b. They've put a ban on the advertising of alcohol.

Change the following sentences so that they follow the pattern of sentence b:

1. They've banned the sale of alcohol at the match.
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2. They've banned the importing of UK lamb.
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3. They've banned all flights into North Korea.
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4. They've banned the sale of pornography.
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"The ban is total, complete, 100%!
Which word don't you understand?"

Notes

1. In 1-2 'ignored' is also possible.
2. Note the use of 'banned' as an adjective:
His gold medal was taken away from him when his tests proved that he had been using a banned substance.
He was arrested for belonging to a banned political party.
3. A 'test ban treaty' is an agreement between countries to stop testing nuclear weapons.
4. Here is a common use of 'ban' as a verb:
He was banned from driving for three years.