



THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Google is writing a breakup song for YouTube and its ambitious social network, Google+. Google directly tied YouTube to Google+ in September 2013, requiring a Google+ profile for new users to upload, comment or create a channel - measurements meant to improve comment quality on YouTube

and promote Google+ itself to compete with social media networks like Facebook and Twitter. With Google+ failing to crack the social Internet as expected, Google is waving it a bittersweet goodbye as people will soon be able to use their general Google accounts to access everything. (P.S. DO NOT remove your Google+ profile just yet. According to Google, you need to wait for their go-head.) [View More](#)



Okay, you might want to have some wooden objects ready before you read this: Facebook is testing out a new feature called "legacy contacts" in the UK region. Users can now appoint a friend or loved one to maintain their social media account after they kick the bucket. The "legacy" will even be allowed to accept or refuse new friend requests on behalf of the deceased. As creepy as it sounds, Facebook said they actually had received hundreds of thousands of requests for more actions regarding its deceased users (right now they offer basic memorialised pages for people who have passed away). So one more thing to work on when you write your own Last Will and Testament... *Touch wood* [View More](#)

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This Tweet from @TheDrakeDiaries has been withheld in response to a report from the copyright holder. [Learn more](#)

Copied someone's joke on Twitter? Your Tweet may be deleted. Twitter is monitoring copyright issues after a Twitter user complained about a stolen Tweet - a Tweet about juice cleanse to be specific - that was the author's "intellectual property". All other Tweets running the same joke have begun to be replaced with the message "withheld in response to a report from the copyright holder." If all these law-related big words are kind of confusing, it basically means you can't steal jokes on Twitter anymore. Hit the Retweet button or make your own joke! [View More](#)

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