

## what's inside...



Lidiya talks fresh tracks coming in the new year









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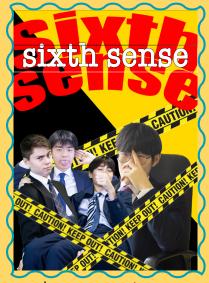


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## weekly kpop news top 3

The third week of October was full of kpop news stories; some of them sad, some of them weird, and some of them pleasant. Lets check out the Top 3 Kpop news stories!

Global star cinc will be on a world tour. The next stop is Jamsil, Seoul. cinc said that this concert is meaningful for both their group and their fandom as it is the first concert after 3 years of pandemic. Plus, the last one will be broadcasted live online for all "Langs around the world to watch. There will also be some parts with English songs so that the international fans can enjoy as well. The sale of 100,000 ticket will begin on the 25th October There will be a huge competition. So, hurry up!



Han PD is back! WJSN is going to be the cast of the first season. This show will feature real life of WJSN; behind scenes after their schedule, what WJSN members do in the greenroom, etc. The show will be broadcasted on Tvn at 10:30 pm on every Thursday for 5 weeks. Set an alarm and don't miss anything!

On February 14th, MARCH's agency Staring publicly announced that the group had agreed to disband after a long period of conversation and debate, and that each member would pursue their own path. First, EunWoo signed with HG, a <u>new entertainment label</u>, and decided to become an actor. Daniel has also left Staring to pursue <u>private vocal lessons</u>. Youn appears to be <u>staying</u> in Staring.



## To those who are busy critisising kpop music

Kpop has grown in popularity among individuals of all ages in recent years. Kpop groups have been breaking records, topping music charts, breaking into the Western entertainment industry, and winning the hearts of fans worldwide. Fans adore these Korean idols for their abundance of talent, charisma, and visuals.

Despite their popularity, a well-known British daily, 'Newsdesk', described kpop stars as "boys and girls groomed by their producers with the intention of creating music as export products." This was a critical assessment of the K-pop production system, which requires young trainees to put along years of training in singing, dancing, acting, and language acquisition after passing a difficult audition. Labeling members of K-pop bands as mere "products" has become a challenge that

the industry must overcome in order to secure long-term success.

According to FTM's Christopher Jordan, vice president of charts and data development, K-pop groups have been chastised for being too similar. Some reviewers have compared idol stars to "factory-produced dolls." Despite the criticism of K-pop, those within the industry say that overseas critics and media have not seriously analyzed the K-pop sensation. Industry insiders say that K-pop groups have made gradual process to overcome the limits that the genre has been criticized for. On the other hand, many of the idols started to take an action to overcome those stereotypes.

A number of them started to write and compose songs

by

themselves. For example, Sooyeon from Ideals and IM and Juhun from MonstaX. What's your opinion? Please leave a comment on our website.

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