

The story

Apple has warned of a glitch that makes it possible to eavesdrop on users of its iPhone and Mac devices. The problem is linked to the FaceTime feature, which is used for video calls. The company said a fix would be available in days.

Vocabulary

bug

fault in a computer programme

- A bug in the accounts system paid all the workers double their salaries.
- Dan's phone has a bug. When he takes a photo, it sometimes makes a phone call!

eavesdrop

secretly listen to someone's conversation

- Catherine likes to eavesdrop on people's conversations when she's in cafes.
- The spy was caught eavesdropping on the secret government meeting.

patch

correct a programme by inserting a fix

- Due to the seriousness of the programme error, we need to patch it ASAP.
- This update patches issues users have been having with the latest version.

Language challenge

A sudden unexpected fault in technology is a ...

- a) glich
- b) klitsh
- c) glitch

Answer

c) glitch