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**Pranksters target Japan's sushi restaurants – 6th February 2023**

## Level 4

Pranksters have been risking people's health at conveyor-belt sushi restaurants in Japan. Several diners licked soy sauce bottles and chopsticks, and licked their fingers and then touched the food on the revolving belt. They posted videos of their "prank" online. People in Japan are shocked. They are calling the actions "sushi terrorism". The share price of sushi chains has fallen. Many restaurants are now disinfecting eating utensils.

Sushi restaurants are everywhere in Japan. They offer good quality, cheap food in a clean, casual setting. Analysts are saying sushi terrorism could affect the future of sushi restaurants. The restaurant the prankster targeted has filed a lawsuit and is claiming compensation. A newspaper said there is a lot of outrage on social media from Japanese people. They say pranksters are showing "contempt for the country's high standards of hygiene".

## Level 5

Pranksters are posing health issues and harming the reputation of Japan's conveyor-belt sushi restaurants. Several diners have posted prank videos on social media. These include people licking soy sauce bottles and chopsticks, and licking their fingers and then touching the food on the revolving belt. This has shocked people in Japan. They are calling it "sushi terrorism". The incidents made the share prices of a leading sushi chain plummet. Many restaurants have taken action to combat the pranksters. They have installed security cameras and provided disinfected eating utensils.

Sushi restaurants are ubiquitous in Japan. They offer good quality, cheap food in an informal, spotlessly clean, casual setting. Industry analysts are saying sushi terrorism could threaten the future of revolving sushi restaurants. One video clip has been viewed 40 million times. The restaurant the prankster targeted has filed a lawsuit against him. It is claiming compensation for damages. A newspaper reported that there is a lot of outrage on social media from Japanese people. They believe the pranksters are showing "contempt for the country's high standards of hygiene".

## Level 6

Pranksters in Japan are posing potential health issues and harming the reputation of the country's famed conveyor-belt sushi restaurants. This week, several diners have posted prank videos on social media. The pranks include people licking bottles of soy sauce and chopsticks, and licking their fingers and then touching the sushi on the revolving belt. These actions have shocked people in Japan. The actions have been dubbed "sushi-tero," or "sushi terrorism". The incidents have caused the share prices of a leading sushi chain to plummet. Many restaurants have sprung into action and taken measures to combat the pranksters. These include installing security cameras and providing disinfected eating utensils.

Japan's "kaitenzushi" restaurants are ubiquitous in Japan. They offer good quality, inexpensive sushi in an informal, casual environment. They are usually spotlessly clean. Some industry analysts are saying sushi terrorism poses a threat to the future operations of the eateries. One egregious video clip has been viewed 40 million times and has sparked copycat clips. The chain targeted by the prankster is filing a civil lawsuit against him and is claiming compensation for damages. The Guardian newspaper reported that there is a lot of outrage on social media from Japanese people, who believe the pranksters are showing "contempt for the country's high standards of hygiene".