



Samsung forecasts profit plunge

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Samsung Electronics says second-quarter profits are likely to plunge as the U.S.-China trade war and tensions over Huawei eat into sales.

1. Samsung Electronics _____
2. The consumer electronics giant says _____

3. That warning came in an official filing _____
4. A storm of negatives _____
5. The U.S-China trade war _____
6. Tariffs have risen on the memory chips _____

7. U.S. sanctions _____
8. It's a big buyer _____
9. And Japan has put curbs _____

10. That's just the latest twist in the two countries' quarrel _____

11. For all that, Samsung says _____

12. It says it's benefiting from one-off gains, _____

13. Traders focused _____
14. Shares in European chipmakers _____

[Vocabulary]

- **plunge**: to suddenly put someone or something in a much less successful situation, or to be suddenly put in such a situation; if an amount or level plunges, it suddenly becomes much lower
 - *The temperature is expected to plunge below zero tonight.*
- **consumer**: someone who buys and uses goods and services. The expression the consumer is often used for referring to consumers as a group
 - *He has always shown a shrewd understanding of what consumers want.*
- **electronics**: electronic equipment, or equipment with electronic parts
 - *Weather can interfere with a car's electronics.*
- **consumer electronics**:
- **giant**: a very large and successful company
 - *the Dutch electronics giant Phillips*
- **consumer-electronics giant**:
- **second quarter**:
- **operating profit**: the profit that a company makes from its normal activities of selling goods or services
- **file**: to send something official, for example a report to a newspaper
- **official filing**:
- **batter**: to make someone or something suffer or seem weak
- **hit**: to suddenly start to affect someone or something; to have a bad effect on someone or something
 - *Local businesses have been hard hit by the recession.*
- **memory chip**: a RAM microchip that can be plugged into a computer to provide additional memory
- **sanction**: an official order to stop communication, trade, etc. with a country that has broken international law
- **buyer**: someone who buys something
- **component**: one of the different parts that a machine or piece of equipment consists of
 - *A microprocessor is a key component in computers.*
- **curb**: a rule or control that stops or limits something
 - *Curbs on the use of mountain bikes in the forest are being called for.*
- **twist**: a sudden unexpected change in a situation
 - *The long-running saga took a new twist this week.*
- **forced labor**: hard physical work that someone is made to do
- **for all that**: in spite of that
 - *She sacrificed many nights to study for the exam, but for all that she still failed.*
- **beat**: to defeat someone in a game, competition, election, or battle
 - *In 2000, George W. Bush narrowly beat Al Gore in the election.*
- **beat forecast**:
- **benefit**: to get help or an advantage from something
 - *Patients have benefited greatly from this treatment.*
- **one-off**: happening, done, or made only once
- **gain**: the money or other benefits that you can get from something
 - *No gains without pains. 蒔かぬ種は生えない。*

- **elaborate on:** to say more about someone or something; to give additional details about someone or something
 - *Can you elaborate a little bit on that, please?*
- **trader:** a person who buys and sells (something, such as stocks or commodities futures) in search of short-term profits
- **downbeat:** not happy or hopeful
 - *The President tried to rally downbeat supporters.*
- **downbeat outlook:**
- **chipmaker:** a manufacturer of integrated circuits