**The Flourishing Business of Fake YouTube Views**

Martin Vassilev makes a good living selling fake views on YouTube videos. His website, 500Views.com, connects customers with services that offer views, likes and dislikes generated by computers, not humans. When a supplier cannot fulfill an order, Mr. Vassilev — like a modern switchboard operator — quickly connects with another.

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