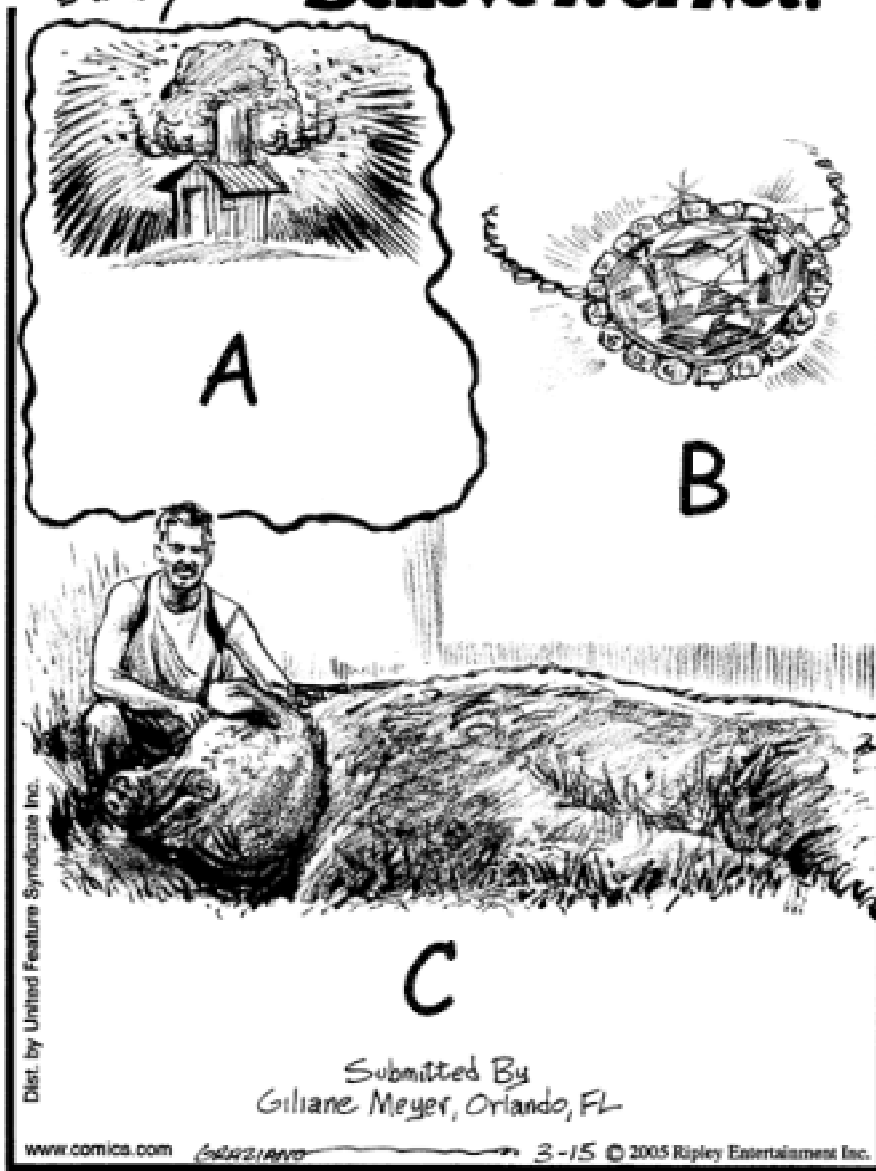


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< TASK 1 > Read the articles (1) to (3).
And figure out which article they come from.
Write A, B, or C.

- (1) _____ "Sore Boar!" While walking by a pond near his home, Larry Earley of Okahumpka, Fla., shot a charging wild boar that weighed more than 1,100 pounds!
- (2) _____ Teenager David Hahn of Commerce Township, Mich., spent three years building a nuclear reactor in his backyard shed, abandoning the project when it began spewing radiation throughout the neighborhood!
- (3) _____ The 45.52-carat Hope Diamond, the world's largest blue diamond, was originally cut from an even larger French crown jewel stolen during the French Revolution!

<TASK 2> Answer the questions.

- (4) What did Larry shoot while walking by a pond?
- (5) What did David build in his backyard shed?
- (6) What was Hope Diamond originally cut from?

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THE 45.52-CARAT HOPE DIAMOND,

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SORE BOAR!

THE WORLD'S LARGEST BLUE DIAMOND, WAS ORIGINALLY CUT FROM AN EVEN LARGER FRENCH CROWN JEWEL STOLEN DURING THE FRENCH REVOLUTION!

WHILE WALKING BY A POND NEAR HIS HOME, LARRY EARLEY of Okahumpka, Fla., SHOT A CHARGING WILD BOAR THAT WEIGHED MORE THAN 1,100 POUNDS!

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< ANSWERS >

- (1) C (2) A (3) B
- (4) He shot a charging wild boar that weighed more than 1,100 pounds.
- (5) He built a nuclear reactor.
- (6) It was originally cut from an even larger French crown jewel.

< WORDS & PHRASES >

Teenager 「10代(13歳~19歳)の」
 David Hahn (人名)
 Commerce Township, Mich. (地名)
 spent three years building ~ 「3年を費やして~した」
 a nuclear reactor 「原子炉」
 in his backyard shed 「自分の裏庭の小屋に」
 abandoning the project 「それまでの取り組みを投げ出した」
 when it began spewing radiation 「それ(原子炉)が放射能を出し始めた時」
 throughout the neighborhood 「近所じゅうに」

45.52-carat ... 「45.52カラットの...」
 Hope Diamond (ダイヤモンド名)
 the world's largest blue diamond 「世界最大のブルーダイヤモンド」
 was originally cut from ~ 「元々は~から切り出された」
 an even larger French crown jewel 「さらに大きなフランスの戴冠用宝玉」
 ... stolen during ~ 「~の間に盗まれた...」
 the French Revolution 「フランス革命」

Sore Boar 「興奮したイノシシ」
 While walking by ~ 「~付近を歩いていると」
 a pond near his home 「自宅近くの池」
 Larry Earley (人名)
 Okahumpka, Fla. (地名)
 shot a charging wild boar 「突進してくるイノシシを銃で撃った」
 ... that weighed more than 1,100 pounds 「1,100ポンド以上の重さの...」