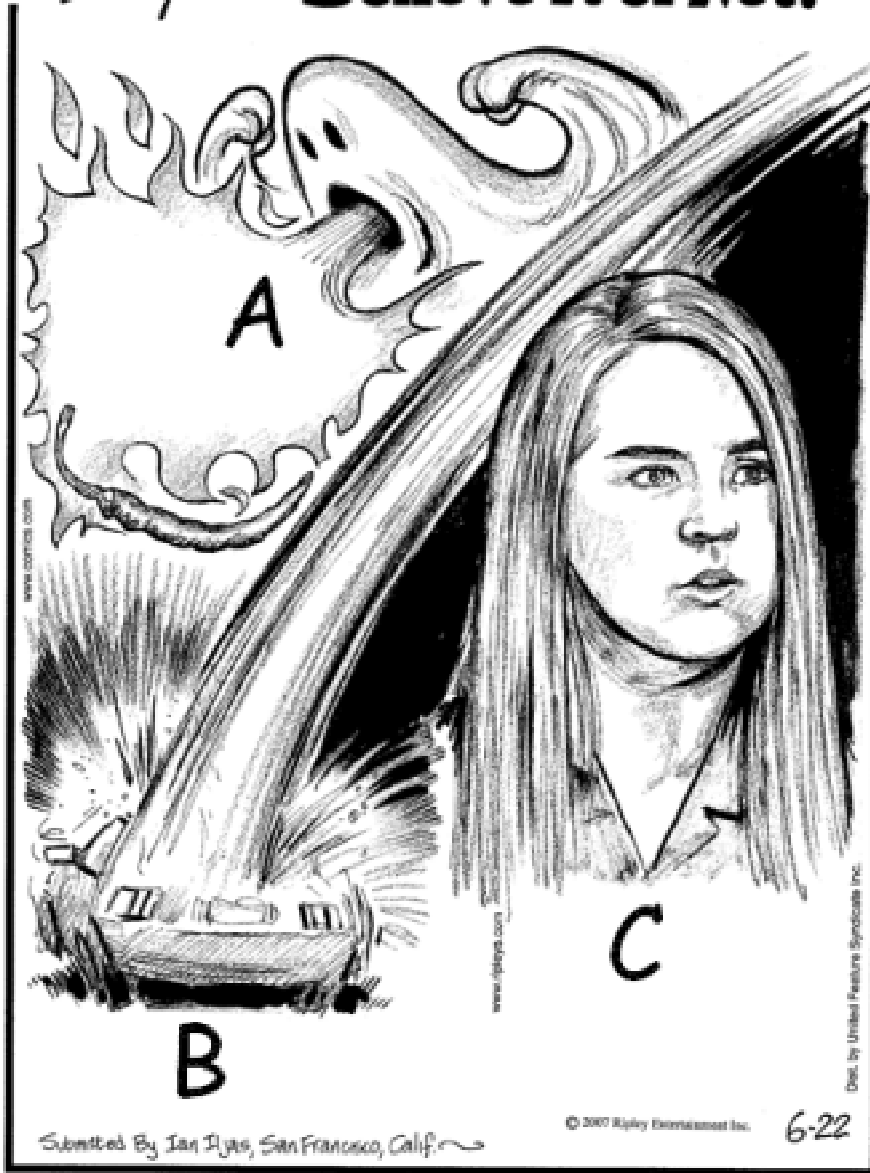


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< TASK 1 > Read the articles (1) to (3).
And figure out which article they come from.
Write A, B, or C.

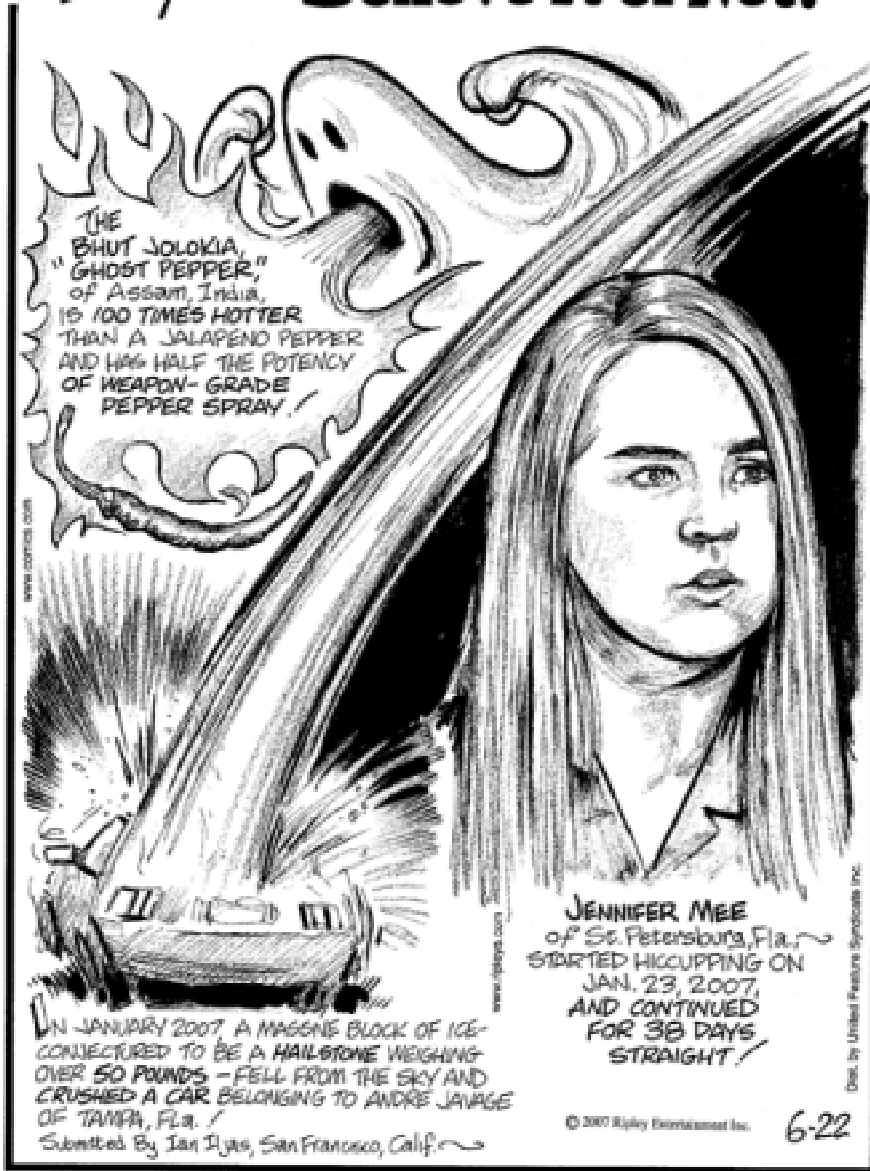
- (1) _____ In January 2007, a massive block of ice ---
conjectured to be a hailstone weighing over 50
pounds --- fell from the sky and crushed a car
belonging to Andre Javage of Tampa, Fla.!
- (2) _____ Jennifer Mee of St. Petersburg, started hiccupping
on Jan. 23, 2007, and continued for 38 days
straight!
- (3) _____ The Bhut Jolokia, "Ghost Pepper," of Assam, India,
is 100 times hotter than a Jalapeno pepper and has
half the potency of weapon-grade pepper spray!

<TASK 2> Answer the questions.

- (4) What crushed Andre's car?
- (5) For how many days had Jennifer been hiccupping?
- (6) How many times hotter is the Bhut Jolokia than a Jalapeno pepper?

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<ANSWERS>

- (1) B (2) C (3) A
- (4) A massive block of ice did.
- (5) She had been hiccupping for 38 days.
- (6) It's 100 times hotter.

<WORDS & PHRASES>

The Bhut Jolokia 「ブット・ジョロキア」(トウガラシの品種)
 "Ghost Pepper" 「オバケ・トウガラシ」
 Assam, India 「インド(国名)のアッサム(地名)」
 is 100 times hotter than ~ 「~より百倍辛い」
 a Jalapeno pepper

「ハラペーニョ・ペッパー」(トウガラシの品種)
 has half the potency of ~ 「~の半分の効力がある」
 weapon-grade pepper spray 「兵器として使える唐辛子スプレー」

In January 2007 「2007年1月に」
 a massive block of ice 「巨大な氷の塊」
 conjectured to be ~ 「~であると推測される」
 a hailstone weighing over 50 pounds
 「重さ50ポンド以上ある雹(ひょう)」

fell from the sky 「空から降ってきた」
 and crushed a car 「そして、車を潰した」
 ... belonging to ~ 「~所有の...」
 Andre Javage (人名)
 Tampa, Fla. (地名)

Jennifer Mee (人名)
 St. Petersburg (地名)
 started hiccupping 「しゃっくりし始めた」
 on Jan. 23, 2007 「2007年1月23日に」
 and continued for 38 days straight
 「そして38日間ずっと続いている」