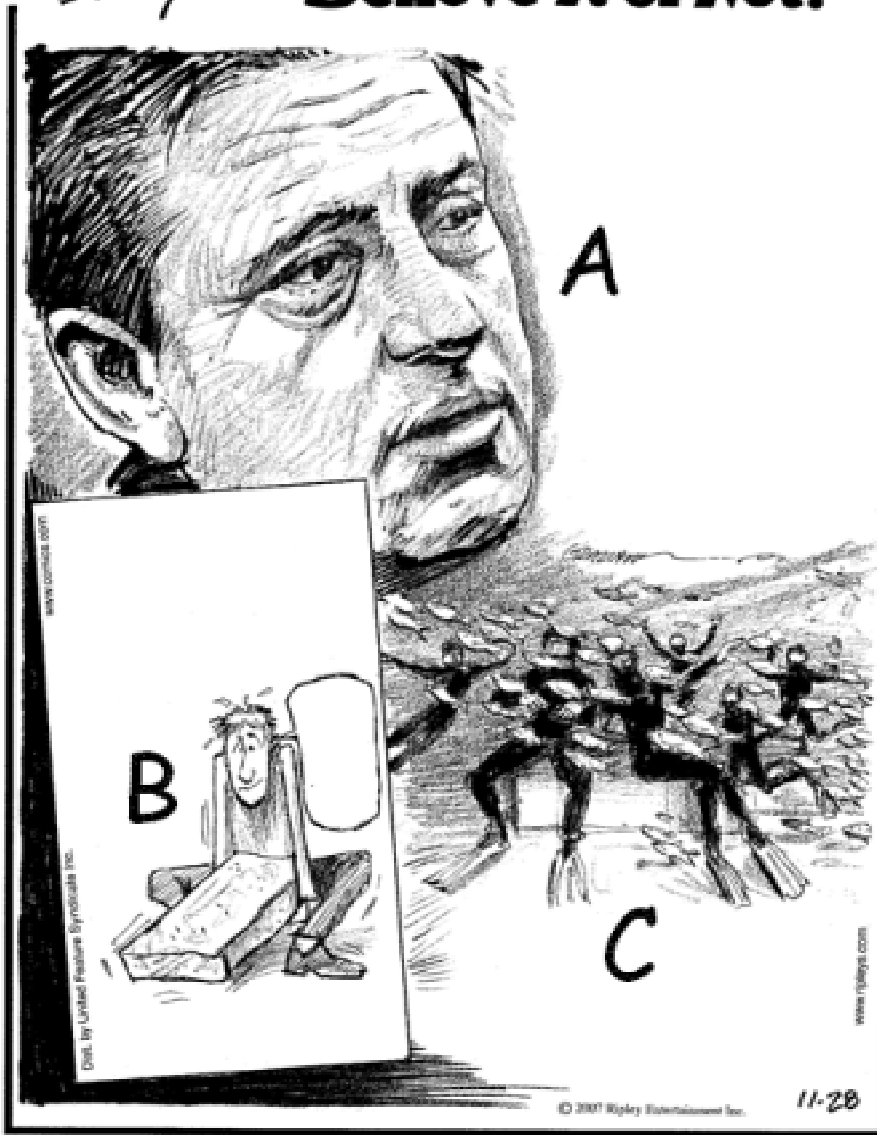


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< TASK 1 > Read the articles (1) to (3).
And figure out which article they come from.
Write A, B, or C.

- (1) _____ "Which is heavier --- aluminum or granite?"
Aluminum weighs 169.5 lbs per cubic foot. Granite weighs 162.7 lbs per cubic foot. "Whew! This granite is light!"
- (2) _____ Nicholas Peake of Lowton, Greater Manchester, England, has coughed continually for nearly 14 years except when he sleeps or chews gum!
- (3) _____ In September 2007, six scuba divers spent 14 days living 50 feet underwater off the coast of Ponza, Italy!

<TASK 2> Answer the questions.

- (4) Which is heavier, aluminum or granite?
- (5) For how many years has Nicholas coughed continually?
- (6) For how many days did the scuba divers spend living 50 feet underwater?

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<ANSWERS>

- (1) B (2) A (3) B
- (4) Aluminum is.
- (5) He has coughed continually for nearly 14 years.
- (6) They spent 14 days there.

<WORDS & PHRASES>

Nicholas Peake (人名)
Lowton, Greater Manchester, England (地名)
has coughed continually 「ずっと咳をしている」
for nearly 14 years 「14年間近く」
except when he ~ 「彼 (Nicholas) が ~ する時を除いて」
sleeps or chews gum 「眠っているかガムを噛んでいる」

"Which is heavier, A or B? 「AとBのどちらの方が重いか」
aluminum 「アルミニウム」 (物質名)
granite 「花崗岩、御影石」 (物質名)
weighs ~ lbs per cubic foot
「重さは1フット立方あたり ~ ポンドである」

Whew! 「なんと!」
This granite is light! 「この花崗岩は軽いぞ」

In September 2007 「2007年9月に」
six scuba divers 「6人のスキューバダイバー」
spent 14 days ~ ing 「~して14日間を過ごした」
living 50 feet underwater off the coast of ~
「~の沖、海面下50フィートで生活して」

Ponza, Italy (地名)