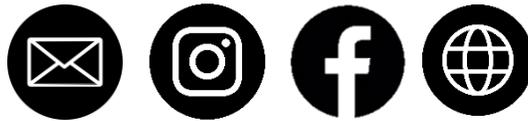




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PROVE IT!

READING

Short List:
 1. Assertion
 2. Support PAT
 3. Tower conclusion

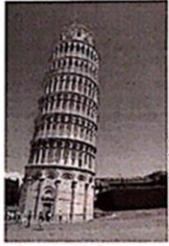
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Read the next two selections. Then choose the best answer to each question.

Reinforcing the Past

1 The city of Pisa is located in the beautiful region of Tuscany in central Italy. Pisa is famous for its grand white-marble structures. The most famous of these structures is the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Construction of the tower started in 1173 and was finally completed in about 1370. It is an elegant eight-story bell tower. The tower is topped by a bell chamber and has an internal circular staircase of nearly 300 steps. Its arches and columns give the tower a dignified air.

2 By the time construction on the tower had reached the third and fourth floors, it was clear that the tower was going to be a magnificent structure—except for one problem. It had started to tilt. Architects tried to correct the problem as they built the remaining floors of the tower, but the structure continued to lean. The architects even situated the bell chamber toward the north, away from the tower's southward tilt, in an attempt to balance the tower. But the tower continued to lean.



3 Over the centuries preservation efforts have focused less on correcting the iconic lean and more on figuring out a way to keep the tower from leaning any farther. In 1934 an attempt to stabilize the tower included injecting concrete into the stone foundation, but some of the concrete seeped under the foundation, causing the tower to lean even more. Other ideas for maintaining the tower have been quite outlandish. One commission even suggested attaching helium balloons to the tower to hold it up, but the suggestion was never actually attempted.

4 Skill the tower kept leaning. In 1990 experts determined that the tower was dangerously close to toppling over, and public entry into the tower was prohibited. An international commission of historians and experts then began an effort to save the tower. They determined that the soil under the south side of the tower was softer than the soil under the north side, and the weight of the marble tower was accelerating the shift. Steel cables and counterweights were installed to slow the movement of the tower. While the cables and weights worked to stabilize the tower, excess soil was removed from underneath the north end to level the ground the tower rests on. These efforts to protect and maintain the tower are not obvious to the untrained eye; the tower still leans about 13 feet.

5 The international commission and the proud citizens of Pisa are hopeful about the latest efforts to halt the lean. Experts believe that the tower should now be stable for another 300 years. If the tower leans significantly more, however, architectural experts and historians will surely once again come to the aid of the magnificent Leaning Tower of Pisa.

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19 Which sentence from the selection is an assertion made by the author?

R In 1990 experts determined that the tower was dangerously close to toppling over, and public entry into the tower was prohibited. *fact*

D One commission even suggested attaching helium balloons to the tower to hold it up, but the suggestion was never actually attempted. *actually happened*

R An international commission of historians and experts then began an effort to save the tower. *true*

D If the tower leans significantly more, however, architectural experts and historians will surely once again come to the aid of the magnificent Leaning Tower of Pisa. *author believes experts will always rescue the tower*

20 Which idea does the information in paragraph 2 support?

R The tower was difficult to build without modern technology. *"by 3rd/4th floors"*

G The problem with the tower was evident early in its construction.

R The addition of the bell tower caused the tower to lean more.

D The construction of the tower was a slower process than expected. *not mentioned*

21 The reader can conclude that the tower will most likely —

A need to be monitored and maintained for as long as it continues to stand

R be completely straightened using technology that will become available in the future *no proof*

R become more magnificent as it continues to lean *opinion*

D help experts solve structural problems with other buildings *no mention of other buildings*

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P

PREVIEW

Preview the passage and questions by highlighting key words and making a PAT list.

R

READ

Read through the passage, highlighting PAT and #hashtagging.

O

OMIT

Omit answer choices by marking R's and D's.

V

VERIFY

Verify your answer by labeling your text evidence with Q#'s.

E

EXPLAIN

Make a statement that defends your answer.

PROVE IT!

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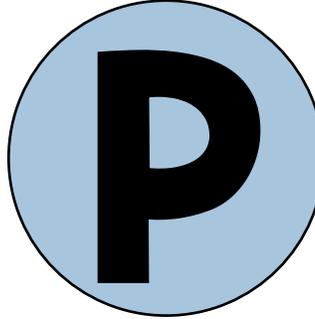
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What is the **most likely reason** the author includes the **details** in **paragraph 1** of the excerpt from "Cool Jobs: Sports Science"?

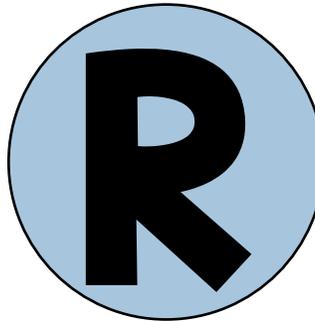
PROVE: PAT list + #hashtags

PAT list	#hashtags
- details paragraph 1	#imagery about beam
- problem-solution	#problem = losing points
organization p 7-11	#better takeoff #rotate faster
- controlling ideas	#it takes attention to detail and science to be great



PREVIEW

Preview the passage and questions by highlighting key words and making a PAT list.



READ

Read through the passage, highlighting PAT and #hashtagging.

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Read the next two selections. Then choose the best answer to each question.

from Cool Jobs: Sports Science
by Helen Fields

1 The gymnast **reaches her arms high** and then takes off running. She cartwheels to the **far end of the beam** and **springs into the air**. She spins, lands **squarely** on her feet and raises her arms in triumph. The stadium fills with cheers. A great performance followed by a great landing. It was just the thing to win the girl, an American gymnast named Shannon Miller, a gold medal in the **1996 Olympic Games**.

2 Normally, when you send something spinning through the

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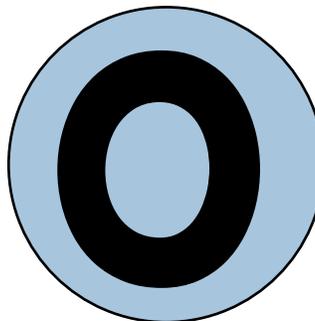
What is the **most likely reason** the author includes the **details** in **paragraph 1** of the excerpt from "Cool Jobs: Sports Science"?

A To convey to the reader the pressure of Olympic gymnastic performances

B To draw the reader into the topic of sports science using a true story

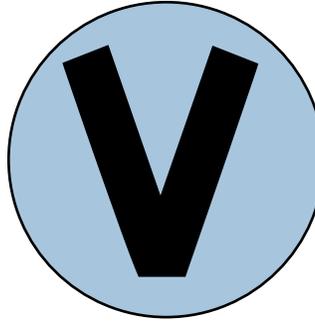
C To highlight the way an error can keep a gymnast from victory

D To show how well world-class athletes must be able to perform



OMIT

Omit answer choices by marking R's and D's.



VERIFY

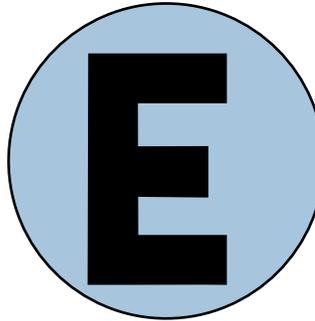
Verify your answer by labeling your text evidence with Q#'s.

Sticky Notes

Notes are not scored.

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E: all the details are focused on imagery of a true story



EXPLAIN

Make a statement that defends your answer.