



Carefully read the excerpt below, taken from an article in The NY Times, then answer the three questions that follow.

1 PARIS — The migrant crisis in France has shifted from the “Jungle” of Calais to the streets of Paris, with hundreds camped out in tents in the city’s northern neighborhoods and dozens more arriving each day.

5 The wildcat encampments have thrust the European migrant issue in the face of Parisians and once again underscored the French government’s inability to resolve a problem it hoped Italy and Germany would forestall.

10 The numbers have been far greater in those countries, but migrants — largely Africans and Afghans — nonetheless keep trickling into Paris. As many as 100 migrants are arriving a day, according to aid groups. Most have vague hopes of reaching Britain or getting asylum in France.

Stretching far up the Avenue de Flandre in the city’s working-class 19th Arrondissement and bunched under nearby subway overpasses at the Jaurès and Stalingrad Métro stations, the enclaves of pup tents are islands of misery in the midst of first-world prosperity.

15 As many as 3,000 are camped here, according to aid groups. Since the spring of 2015, more than 18,000 in Paris have been sheltered — meaning they were bused to reception centers elsewhere in France and, in some cases, expelled from Paris sidewalks, according to the city and the French news media.

20 In a pattern that has not varied for months, the migrants establish themselves on the sidewalks of Paris, their numbers gradually swell over a period of weeks, and then the police come to clear them out.

Source Reference: <http://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/04/world/europe/paris-migrants-refugees.html>

In the above passage, the word “forestall” most likely means:

- A) Solve
- B) Help
- C) Expect
- D) Understand

What is the main purpose of this article?

- A) To find a solution to this problem
- B) To inform people of this problem
- C) To convince people to move to Paris
- D) To warn people of the dangers of France

The author of this passage would most likely agree with which of the following:

- A) The migrant problem in Paris will most likely solve itself
- B) This poses no threat to the people of Paris and France
- C) This problem will continue to grow if nothing is done to solve it
- D) Paris should accommodate these migrants so they aren't living on the streets

Answer Key:

1. C
2. B
3. C