



Daily Article (Bharath's Reading list) - Answers and Explanations 01.08.2023

Article link : <https://bit.ly/47gWjgn> (The Line Must Be Drawn Here.)

1. According to the author, "something warped" is going on in The Discourse as:

- A. Calls for gutting regulations have, in just a few years, not only become mainstream but they're elite conventional wisdom in Democratic-aligned media circles
- B. New libertarian buzzwords such as "regulatory capture" and "stream-lining" are gaining popularity and there is no pushback against this
- C. The radically new idea of lowering costs of aggregate housing by appeasing those who build housing with gutted regulation has caught the media attention
- D. All the above

Explanation : A

Only option A is true. Option B is incorrect; the article does talk about pushback but states that this doesn't get covered by 'glossy' media. Option C is incorrect as it says the idea of lowering costs of aggregate housing by appeasing those who build housing with gutted regulation is 'radically new'.

2. According to the author, the article "Different Places Have Different Safety Rules and That's OK" is similar to Yglesias' argument in terms of all the following except:

- A. its assertion of austerity logic and its attendant false dichotomy
- B. its sophistry and reasoning that this is the inevitable endpoint of inequities inherent in the natural law of global capitalism
- C. its subject purportedly being an attack on pro-homelessness policy
- D. its use of the burdensome red tape rhetoric

Explanation: C

Note the lines, 'Obviously, those forced to sleep in windowless rooms are not suffering nearly as much as those in sweatshops. But the reasoning, the sophistry, the ham-fisted assertion of austerity logic and its attendant false dichotomy, is more or less the same. '

3.To push the envelope is to:

- A.test the limits of the established norm
- B.do something in a quick, informal or rough manner
- C.take a calculated risk or approach
- D.wrap oneself or someone in something

Explanation: A

To push the envelope is to do something to a greater degree or in a more extreme way than it has ever been done before.