



Daily Article (Bharath's Reading list) - Answers and Explanations 09.01.2024

Article link : [Link](#) (Why struggling companies promote women: the glass cliff, explained)

1. Based on the article, which of the following is incorrect?

- A. Yahoo boys are Nigeria's online fraudsters who use scam strangers using email and online apps
- B. Yahoo boys who defraud their victims to get huge amounts of money are said to be Yahoo Plus practitioners
- C. Nigeria's 419 scammers are called so in reference to a section of the Nigerian criminal code pertaining to fraud
- D. None of the above

Explanation : B

Options A and C are true, but option B is false. According to the article, Yahoo Plus practitioners are juju priests who claim to help romance scammers improve their game.

2. The author is likely to disagree with which of the following statements?

- A. Public opinion is strongly in favour of Yahoo boys in Nigeria as they are seen as young men pushed to the brink by their circumstances
- B. Loneliness, not age, is the reason why someone falls for a romance scam
- C. Nigeria's Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, tasked with cracking down on scammers, faces a very difficult challenge
- D. There may well be hundreds of thousands of romance scammers in Nigeria

Explanation: A

The author does not say public opinion is 'strongly' in favour of Yahoo boys in Nigeria. In fact he says there are two sides to the public opinion and that 'You just have to mention the words Yahoo boys to a Nigerian and watch their reaction to understand how deeply embedded scammers have become in the national conversation. A lot of people see them as young men who've chosen a life of crime, preying on foreigners and marring Nigeria's reputation.'

3. "She was ready." Smart Billion said this of the author's mom as:

- A. She was primed to be scammed as she was lonely and needed the comfort that a romance scammer could provide
- B. She was the ready target of a romance scam as she was rich, idle and gullible
- C. She was all set to be convinced to pay money to the romance scammer despite knowing it was a scam
- D. None of the above

Explanation: A

Note the lines, 'I heard Smart Billion again in my head: She was ready. He meant that my mom was ready for Brian—or for someone, anyone, like him. Whatever affection there was in the silences of her life, in the unspoken bond with her sons, the people who loved her most, my mother longed for certain words, needed them, and for a while Brian had provided them.'