

- 1 The recently-appointed captain of the national football team has been publicly accused of adultery with several women, including the girlfriend of a former teammate. The newspapers have made a great deal of his extramarital activities and it has become a scandal. His behaviour has led him to be the subject of crude jokes. He has now been suspended from his duties. It is right that he has been removed from his position so that the team can start to pull together and have the best possible chance of winning the World Cup.

Which one of the following is an underlying assumption of the above argument?

- A The new captain's actions have weakened team morale.
 - B This new captain should not have been appointed.
 - C If the new captain is fired, the national team will win the World Cup.
 - D The national team will not win the World Cup.
 - E Newspapers have the right to report on people's personal lives.
- 2 E-cigarettes, which provide nicotine without cigarette smoke, have been praised by health campaigners. Research has suggested that success rates for quitting smoking are higher with e-cigarettes than with other methods. However, rather than tackling their nicotine addiction, e-cigarette users have simply replaced one habit with another. It is true that cigarette smoke contains many hazardous compounds, and also that quitting smoking increases life expectancy and reduces the risk of many health problems. But nicotine also has its dangers: it has been associated with a range of conditions that we do not fully understand, and research has yet to establish the long-term effects of nicotine use outside of cigarette smoke.

Which one of the following is a conclusion that can be drawn from the above passage?

- A People should not assume e-cigarettes are a safe alternative to traditional cigarettes.
- B Smoking traditional cigarettes still poses a major risk to health.
- C Using nicotine patches is an ineffective way to give up smoking.
- D E-cigarettes are just as harmful as traditional cigarettes.
- E Not everyone is able to give up smoking without nicotine replacement.