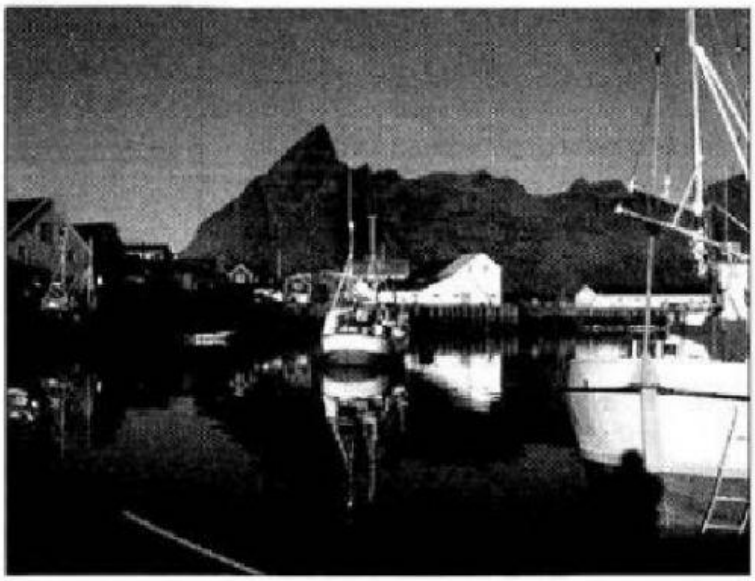
Look at the sentences below about the Lofoten Islands in Norway. Decide whether the statements are true or false

11	On the first evening, the writer watched the sun set behind the mountains.	**A**	**B**
12	Ferries used to be the only way of crossing from one island to another.	**A**	**B**
13	It is necessary to reserve a place on a boat 24 hours before it leaves.	**A**	**B**
14	The boats hold up to five people.	**A**	**B**
15	The passengers in the boat saw some places where people no longer live.	**A**	**B**
16	The fisherman in the boat caught some fish for the passengers.	**A**	**B**
17	It is possible to see some of the original fishermen's huts in the museum.	**A**	**B**
18	The museum is open at weekends every day of the year.	**A**	**B**
19	There are fewer farms now than there were 30 years ago.	**A**	**B**
20	You need to change planes to fly from Oslo to the Lofoten Islands.	**A**	**B**

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We arrived in the Lofoten Islands in Norway on a bright July evening. At this time of year, the sun never goes down so it never gets dark because the islands are so far north. We sat for hours, watching the sunlight shining on the mountains across the water.



We spent the next few days exploring the islands in brilliant sunshine. We travelled by car, going from one island to another by bridge or tunnel. These bridges and tunnels have replaced the ferries between the largest islands.

One day we decided we would take a boat trip. They leave at 12 noon every day. You have to book the day before or by 10.30 at the latest on the day of the trip. I'd booked the day before, not realising that the weather here can change quickly. I was warned that they needed a minimum of five passengers for the trip. When we got up that day, it was raining hard but we set off, hoping other people had also booked. We were lucky. When we got in the boat, the sun came out again and there were enough of us, all eager to see the islands from the sea. We went past islands with ruined villages where nobody wants to live any more. We also had the chance to catch our own fish which we could eat later on.

On our last day we visited the Museum of Lofoten Life. By the year 900 the islands were famous for cod fishing. People sailed there in small open boats from other areas so they could make the most of the fishing opportunities. All these visiting fishermen needed somewhere to stay and over the years many fishermen's cabins were built by the water's edge. In the museum, some of these are on display as well as fishing equipment, boathouses and traditional boats. In summer (June 20–Aug 20), it's open daily from 11am–5.30pm and during the rest of the year it's open from Monday to Friday 11am–3pm.

People on the islands have always made a living from fishing and farming. Fishing is still an essential part of the economy but, although agriculture is still important in some areas, the number of farms has decreased in the past 30 years.

I'd highly recommend a trip to the Lofoten Islands. The quickest way to get there is to fly from the Norwegian capital, Oslo, to Bodø which is on the coast opposite the Lofoten islands and then take a flight to Leknes on one of the northern islands. It is also possible to catch a ferry from Bodø to Svolvær which is much cheaper.

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