



Reading: A2-11

Subaru Takahashi was only 14 years old when he **set out** on an amazing adventure. His goal was to sail from Tokyo to San Francisco—alone. Subaru **grew up** near the sea and loved sailing. His parents thought he was old enough to sail alone, and they helped him buy a boat. He left on July 22. At first, the trip was easy. Then after three weeks, his engine **broke down**, so he didn't have any lights. He had to **watch out** for big ships at night, because it was too dark to see his boat. Five days later, his radio stopped working. Subaru was really alone then, but he didn't **give up**. His progress was very slow, but he **kept on** sailing. He almost **ran out of** food, and he was not fast enough to catch fish. He **put up with** hot sun and strong wind. On September 13, Subaru sailed into San Francisco. He was the youngest person ever to sail alone across the Pacific Ocean.

Subaru had many payed sailing lessons when he was young.

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He was not old enough to sail alone according to his parents.

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Nobody younger than Subaru sailed across the Pacific according to the article.

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Subaru continue sailing after his adventure.

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What idea is true according to the text?

- a) Subaru lives in San Francisco.
- b) He started his adventure on July 22.
- c) Subaru bought a boat without help.

What idea is false according to the text?

- a) His engine broke after 3 weeks of sailing.
- b) Subaru doesn't hate the sea.
- c) At first, the trip was difficult.