

Directions: After reading the background information and examining the source, answer the questions below.

Background information: *Samuel de Champlain was a French explorer who played a significant role in the early exploration and colonization of Canada. He founded the city of Quebec in 1608 and established enduring French influence in the region.*

...We continued our course to an island, three **leagues** long, filled with the finest pines I had ever seen. Here they went hunting, and captured some wild animals. . . .

League: *approximately 5 ½ kilometres*

We set out the next day, continuing our course in the river as far as the entrance of the lake. There are many pretty islands here, low, and containing very fine woods and meadows, with abundance of **fowl** and such animals of the chase as **stags, fallow-deer, fawns, roe-bucks**, bears, and others, which go from the main land to these islands. We captured a large number of these animals. . . .

Fowl: *Birds that are typically hunted such as duck*

Stags: *Mature male deer, especially those of various species like red deer or elk.*

Fallow-deer: *A type of deer, with males known as bucks*

Fawns: *Young deer*

The next day we entered the lake, which is of great extent, say eighty or a hundred leagues long, where I saw four fine islands, ten, twelve, and fifteen leagues long, which were formerly inhabited...There are also many rivers falling into the lake, bordered by many fine trees of the same kinds as those we have in France, with many vines finer than any I have seen in any other place; also many chestnut trees on the border of this lake, which I had not seen before. There is also a great **abundance** of fish, of many varieties. . . .

Abundance: *A large amount of something*

Continuing our course over this lake on the western side, I noticed, while observing the country, some very high mountains on the eastern side, on top of which there was snow. They [Champlain's Indigenous allies] told me that the Iroquois dwelt there, and that there were beautiful valleys in these places, with plains productive in grain, such as I had eaten in this country, together with many kinds of fruit without limit.

Source: Samuel de Champlain, *Voyages of Samuel de Champlain (1613)*

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Your Task: Examine the inferences below and return to the text. Which inference is best supported by the source?

	Alternative Inferences
Person 1:	Champlain's journal notes reflect his love of nature and his desire to protect it.
Person 2	Champlain's journal notes reflect European interest in using natural resources through colonization in North America.

Multiple Choice: Which inference is most plausible?

- a) Person 1's inference is most plausible
- b) Person 2's inference is most plausible
- c) Both Person 1 and Person 2's inferences are equally plausible
- d) Neither meaning is plausible

Short Answer Response: Explain your reasoning below.