

The Chinese economy grew by 6.9% last year.

It's the slowest **rate of growth** for the world's second largest economy in 25 years.

Concerns about the health of the Chinese economy, including **shrinking** foreign and domestic demand and the **depreciation** of its currency, has contributed to sharp falls on global markets.

Vocabulary

rate of growth

speed at which something increases in size

shrinking

getting smaller

depreciation

process in which something becomes less valuable

Choose the correct summary of this story

- a) The Chinese economy is getting smaller.
- b) The Chinese economy is getting bigger at a slower speed than before.
- c) The Chinese economy is only affecting China.

Answer

- b) The Chinese economy is getting bigger at a slower speed than before.

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