



Scientists in Australia are warning that large parts of the Great Barrier **Reef** could die within the next few months because it's suffering from one of its worst ever **episodes** of **coral bleaching**.

Vocabulary

reef

a line of rock near or above the surface of the sea

episodes

(here) single events related to but separate from others

coral bleaching

damage to coral caused by warm water

Choose the correct summary of this story

- a) The Great Barrier Reef will die in the next few months.
- b) Sections of the Great Barrier Reef could die in the next few months.
- c) The Great Barrier Reef is being affected by a previously unknown effect.

Answer

- b) Sections of the Great Barrier Reef could die in the next few months.

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