Closed Captioning Functionality for the PARCC Assessments
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• The video will begin once activated. The Closed Captioning (CC) will be accessible once the video has started.

• The CC icon appears at the bottom of the video window.

• The CC function does not automatically begin playing, so the student needs to click the CC icon to begin showing captions. Once the student clicks the CC icon, the captions will start.

• As the video has already started, it may be necessary to drag the slider bar back to start the video again once the captioning has been activated.

• A sample video item with CC is available at the PARCC Website.
The slider bar will disappear once the cursor is moved away from the video, allowing students to view CC fully.

The slider bar allows the student to advance or back up the video.

Closed Captions (CC) icon.

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There is 1 section.

There is 1 total question.

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The following task is provided as an opportunity for students to practice with a PARCC computer-based item that contains video with Closed Captioning included with PARCC Administrations. While the task in the tutorial is not scored, it does give students the chance to engage with the Closed Captioning functionality.
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- C. location
- D. structure

Part B
Which quotation from the video best supports the answer to Part A?

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