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Look at the following opinions (Questions 31-35) and the list of people below.

Match each opinion with the correct person, A, B, C or D.

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NB You may use any letter more than once.

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