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Your conclusion: _____

Which sentence has the best evidence to support your conclusion? _____

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Sao Paulo	Sao Paulo	Sao Paulo	Sao Paulo	Sao Paulo
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1. Mexico City is larger than three other cities, but it is not the largest.
2. New York is not the largest or the smallest, but it is larger than Bombay.
3. Sao Paulo is not as large as Mexico City, but Sao Paulo is not the smallest city, as it is larger than New York.

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Your conclusion: Hawaii has no fur-bearing animal to trap.

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