

QUIZ TIME!

What is wrong with this Betta Fish?



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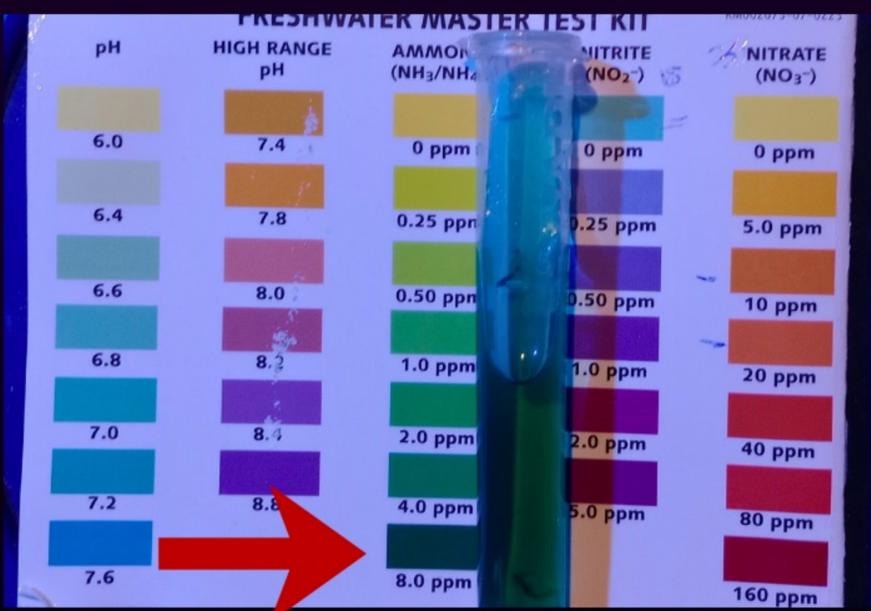
Options

- A. Poor water quality & living conditions
- B. Deadly ammonia levels
- C. Bacterial & parasitic infections
- D. Lack of timely care & attention
- E. Living in 1 cup of water
- F. All of the above

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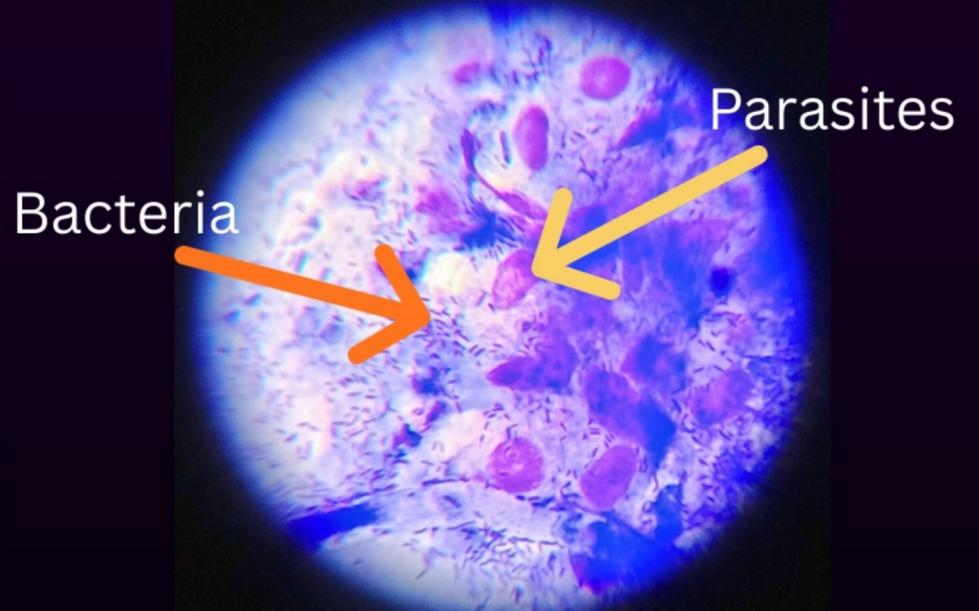
If you chose option F, congratulations! This neglected female Betta was displayed in a **BETTA CUP** at a local pet store, living in just over **1 cup of water**. Her excess slime coat, reddened, ulcerated areas, and unfortunately, her death, were all related to her poor care and aquatic environment while at the petstore. She died shortly after this photo was taken. Humans failed her.

Deadly Ammonia



Ammonia levels should be 0. Any detectable amount of ammonia is harmful to fish. Ammonia readings in her cup registered the highest at 8 ppm. This is deadly.

Bacteria & Parasites



Skin and fin scrapings clearly revealed an abundance of gram-positive bacterial rods and external parasites that necessitated attention.

