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13. In the past, blimps were not widely used. 14. The future shows there will be many new ways to use blimps. 15. Future uses will include police, government, and traffic-control work. 16. Another exciting worthwhile idea is using blimps to provide help to areas that have been affected by natural disasters. 17. The plan is for the blimp to serve as a flying hospital with emergency surgery rooms and medical equipment. 18. There are so many possibilities for blimps in the future that it will be interesting to see what happens!

A student has chosen to write a paper about how blimps have affected history. Which of these research questions would **best** help the student find information on this topic?

- A How was the first blimp made?
- B How does helium make blimps float?
- C What are some dangers of flying in a blimp?
- D What have been some important flights of blimps?



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For a class report, a student is using an Internet search engine to conduct research about the hazards of flying blimps. Which set of terms would best narrow the search?

- A safety, travel
- B blimps, safety
- C blimps, history
- D weather, traffic