

26 Brass is a mixture of copper and zinc.

Which statement describes and explains the relative strength of brass compared to copper?

- A** Brass is stronger than copper because the layers of atoms in brass **cannot** easily slide over each other.
- B** Brass is stronger than copper because the intermolecular forces are greater in brass than in copper.
- C** Brass is weaker than copper because the layers of atoms slide more easily over each other in brass than in copper.
- D** Brass is weaker than copper because the intermolecular forces are weaker in brass than in copper.