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(a: pressure correction,  
b: volume correction)

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  - Heat Expansion:  $\rightarrow$  pressure increase!
  - Glass Breaking: Glass can break or shatter due to thermal stress caused by uneven heating or rapid temperature changes, in particular if the glass transitions quickly from being hot to cool.
  - $\rightarrow$  Risk of Explosion due to combination of increased internal pressure and the thermal stress

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  - a) is correct, because He atoms are lighter... Oxygen ( $O_2$ ) is a diatomic molecule with a molar mass of approximately 32 g/mol (16 g/mol for each oxygen atom), whereas Helium (He) is a monatomic gas with a molar mass of about 4 g/mol. Thus, oxygen molecules are heavier than helium atoms.