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Chapter - I A Letter to God

Q/Ans:-

Oral Comprehension Check

Q-1 → What did Lencho hope for?

Ans → Lencho hoped for rain.

Q-2 → Why did Lencho say the raindrops were like 'new coins'?

Ans → It was because rain drops would resemble the new coins.

Q-3 → How did the rain change? What happened to Lencho's fields? ~~What happened~~

Ans → The rain changed as hailstone began to fall. Lencho's fields were covered with hailstones and the whole crop destroyed.

Q-4 → What were Lencho's feelings when the hail stopped?

Ans → ~~Then~~ When the hail stopped Lencho felt that it was a total loss. A plague of locusts would have left more than that year they would go hungry. Lencho was desperate. He passed that night in sorrow.



Q-1 → ~~What~~ ~~Lencho~~

Q-1 → Who or what did Lencho have faith in?
What did he do?

Ans → Lencho had a faith in God. He wrote a letter to God demanding help from him.

Q-2 → Who read the letter?

Ans → The postmaster read the letter.

Q-3 → What did the postmaster do then?

Ans → The postmaster did not want to break Lencho's faith in God. So he decided to answer the letter and send money to Lencho.

Q-1 → Was Lencho surprised to find a letter for him with money in it?

Ans → Lencho was not surprised to find a letter for him with money.

Q-2 → What made him angry?

Ans → He became angry when he counted the money. Actually Lencho had demanded 100 pesos but 70 pesos reached him. He thought that God could not deny him what he had demanded. Certainly the postoffice employees have stolen the money. So Lencho was angry.



Thinking about the text

Q-1 → What does Lencho have complete faith in? What sentences in the story tell you this?

Ans → Lencho had complete faith in God. The sentence 'It was nothing less than a letter to God's' tells us this.

Q-2 → Why does the postmaster send money to Lencho? Why does he sign the letter 'God'?

Ans → Postmaster was a good man. He decided to answer Lencho's letter. He did not want to shake Lencho's faith in God. Therefore he sent money to Lencho which he had demand from God. He signed the letter as 'God' because he had written the letter on the behalf of God. He did so in order not to shake Lencho's faith in God.

Q-3 → Did Lencho try to find out who had sent the money to him? Why/why not?

Ans → No, Lencho did not try to find out who had sent the money to him because Lencho had firm faith in God. He had no doubt that anybody other than God would send money ~~to him~~. He believed that God could never deny Lencho's demand.

Q-5 → Are there people like Lencho in the real world? What kind of ~~person~~ person would you say he is? You may select appropriate words from the box to answer the question (greedy, naive, stupid, ungrateful, selfish, comical, unquestioning)

Ans → No, we are hardly find people like Lencho in real world. We would say that Lencho was a hardworking, honest, simple and optimistic man. He had firm ~~faith~~ belief in God. He was living away from the real world.

Fuentes describes Lencho as a man who has complete faith in God. He is hardworking farmer. He lives away from the crowd in a lonely house in the valley. His corn fields is destroyed by a hailstorm. He writes a letter to God demanding hundred pesos. He is not a greedy man. He demands as much money as he needs. He is not selfish. He worries about his family. He is not a stupid. Postoffice employees laugh to see his letter to God. However, he is not a comic character. It is his firm faith in God which inspires him to write the letter to God. He had unquestioning faith. Postmaster sends money to him on behalf of God. But Lencho calls the postoffice employees 'as a bunch of crooks'. It does not mean



that lencho is ungrateful. He does not know that ~~post office~~ post office employees have helped him. To sum up lencho is an honest man. ~~He~~ He is hardworking and a firm faith believer of God. He has so much faith in God that he wrote a letter to God.

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