

1. Read the given extract and answer the questions :

A. The house-the only one in the entire valley-sat on the crest of a low hill. From this height one could see the river and the field of ripe corn dotted with the flowers that always promised a good harvest. The only thing the earth needed was a good downpour or at least a shower. Throughout the morning Lencho - who knew his fields intimately- had done nothing but see the sky towards the north-east.

1. The field of corn dotted with the flowers means that good crop expected (1)

ii. Lencho wished for a downpour or shower. Pick the option that correctly lists the correct match for kinds of rain. (1)

1. heavy rain
 2. thunderstorm
 3. Drizzle

- p. light rain that falls in very fine drops
 q. very heavy tropical rain
 r. rain is coming down quite strongly and you get wet very quickly

4. torrential rain
 5. downpour

- s. really heavy rain that comes very suddenly
 t. is a violent, short-lived weather disturbance associated with lightning thunder and strong, gusty winds.

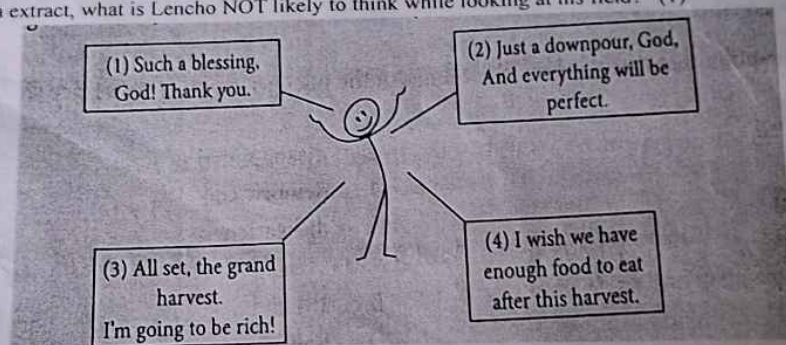
A. (1)-q, (2)-s, (3)-t, (4)-p, (5)-r

B. (1)-s, (2)-p, (3)-r, (4)-t, (5)-q

C. (1)-t, (2)-r, (3)-s, (4)-q, (5)-p

D. (1)-r, (2)-t, (3)-p, (4)-q, (5)-s

iii. Based on the given extract, what is Lencho NOT likely to think while looking at his field? (1)



A. Option (1)

B. Option (2)

C. Option (3)

D. Option (4)

iv. Why was Lencho looking at the sky towards the north-east? Answer in about 40 words. (2)

2. Read the given extract and answer the questions: (5)

A. The way a crow
 Shook down on me
 The dust of snow
 From a hemlock tree
 Has given my heart
 A change of mood
 And saved some part
 a day I had rued.

Choose the option that lists the possible feelings of the poet prior to the experience shared in the poem.

(1)

1. reassured

2. Disappointed

3. curious

4. Demotivated

5. thankful

6. Disheartened

impulsive

A. 1, 3 and 7

B. 2, 4 and 6