

A LETTER TO GOD

Answer the following with reference to the context:

1. With a satisfied expression, he regarded the field of ripe corn with its flowers, draped in a curtain of rain. But suddenly a strong wind began to blow and along with the rain very large hailstones began to fall. These truly did resemble new silver coins. The boys, exposing themselves to the rain, ran out to collect the frozen pearls.
 - a) How did Lencho feel when he saw his fields covered with the curtain of rain?
 - b) What followed the rain?
 - c) What did hailstone resemble?
 - d) How did these new silver coins bring disaster to him?
2. The moment the letter fell into the mailbox the postmaster went to open it. It said: "God: Of the money that I asked for, only seventy pesos reached me. Send me the rest, since I need it very much. But don't send it to me through the mail, because the post office employees are a bunch of crooks. Lencho".
 - a) What was Lencho thinking while writing the letter?
 - b) Why did the postmaster open the mailbox immediately after Lencho had posted his letter?
 - c) How much money had Lencho asked for?
 - d) Why did Lencho not want to send the rest of the money by mail?
3. "God, if you don't help me, my family and I will go hungry this year."
 - a) Who is speaking to God? What is the mode of conversation between the two?
 - b) Why will the speaker's family go hungry?
 - c) What help does the speaker want from God?
 - d) Why does he think God will help him?
4. 'But when he opened it, it was evident that to answer it, he needed something more than goodwill, ink and paper.'
 - a) What did the postmaster open and why?
 - b) What had he thought before opening it?
 - c) Why would he require to answer 'it'?
 - d) What did the postmaster finally decide to do and why?

Answer the following questions within 30-40 words each:

5. Why does the postmaster send money to Lencho? Why does he sign the letter 'God'?
6. How far would you agree that one's positivity can bring in a spark of brightness even in adverse circumstances'?
7. What are the raindrops compared to and why?

8. How did Lencho's hope change to despair?
9. What made Lencho angry when he counted the money?
10. What did Lencho write in his second letter?

Answer the question within 130-150 words.

11. Give the character-sketch of Lencho.

Or

"I wish I had the faith of the man." Describe Lencho's character in the light of the above statement.

12. What values does the postmaster display in the story?
13. How does the meaning of rain change for Lencho as the story progresses?