

**A. Choose the correct answer and write it in the blank.**

1. The little bird broadened the hole with her \_\_\_\_\_  
a. beak      b. claws
2. The wild boar settled down scraping the hole into a \_\_\_\_\_ to have a good sleep.  
a. pit      b. hollow
3. The poor farmer's crop was \_\_\_\_\_  
a. meagre      b. surplus



**B. Tick the correct answer.**

1. The boar slept **until the fading sun** told him it was time to get up. What does the phrase until the fading sun mean?  
a. until evening       b. until sun fades in colour
2. The farmer was **thankful** at the sight of the verdant bowl because \_\_\_\_\_  
a. it was a pond of water       b. he wanted green grass
3. They all stood around **the little jewel of blue** means \_\_\_\_\_  
a. They stood around the pond.   
b. They stood around the jewel which was blue.
4. The dry earth soaked up the moisture **as a hungry puppy laps up milk.**  
It means \_\_\_\_\_  
a. The puppy was very hungry.   
b. The dry earth absorbed the water very quickly.