Reading Comprehension

Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions given below.

Once, there was a man called Naseem who had a pomegranate tree. One year, Naseem's pomegranate tree had very big fruit, and so he chose three of the best pomegranates and took them to the palace as a ***present*** for the prince. The prince was very happy and gave him ***rewards.***

Some months later, Naseem's turnip crop grew well, so he filled a basket with the best turnips and went to the palace. Just then a neighbour called out, 'Are turnips any gift for a prince? Shame on you! Take him something sweet. Take him some apricots.

Naseem thought about it and decided that his neighbor was right, so he arrived at the palace with a basket of apricots. This time, the prince was ***annoyed***. So, instead of rewarding Naseem, the prince ordered his men to ***pelt*** him with the apricots.

But, every time an apricot hit him, Naseem would cry out, 'May God bless you, dear neighbour!' The prince became ***curious*** about Naseem's ***outcries*** and finally ordered his men to stop. He asked Naseem what he was talking about. 'My Lord, said Naseem, 'I was bringing you a basket of the largest and fattest turnips you have ever seen, but my neighbour told me that apricots would be a better gift. Should I not thank the man who has saved my life? Because, if this basket had been full of turnips, surely every bone in my body would have broken by now.'

The prince laughed and sent Naseem home with a purse of gold coins.

A. Match the words with their contextually suitable meanings.

present	noise
reward	wanted to know
annoyed	gift
curious	prize
outcries	angry

B. Select the **True or False** about the given **story**.

i. The Prince punished Naseem for giving pomegranates. **True / False**

ii. Naseem prayed for his neighbour for his good advice. **True / False**

iii. Naseem gifted a basket full of the largest and fattest turnips to the prince. **True / False**

iv. Naseem's neighbour asked him to take something sweet. **True / False**

C. Select the correct short answer.

i. Did the prince decide to reward Naseem at the end?

Yes, he did. No, he didn't.

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ii. Did Naseem's neighbour's advice help him?

Yes, it did. No, it didn't.

iii. Why did the prince order to hit him?

Because he didn't like the apricots. Because he was in an angry mood

iv. Why did Naseem's neighbor advise him not to carry turnips to the palace?

Because the turnips were small. Because the turnips aren't any gift for a prince.

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