

## N2K Week 7 Lesson 4

Directions: Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Mother met me with a white, strained face. “Your father is suffering terribly. Go for the doctor at once.”

I could hear my father groan as I moved about the kitchen, putting on my coat and lighting the lantern. It was about one o’clock in the morning, and the wind was cold as I picked my way through the mud to the barn. The thought of the long miles to town made me shiver, but as the son of a soldier, I could not falter in my duty. Blowing out my lantern, I hung it on a peg, led Kit from her stall out into the night, and swung into the saddle. She made off with a spattering rush through the yard out into the road. It was dark as pitch, but I was fully awake now. The rain in my face had cleared my brain, but I trusted the mare to find the road, which showed only in the strips of water that filled the wagon tracks.

1. The mood is one of
  - A. intense urgency
  - B. relaxed calm
  - C. helpless confusion
  - D. childish sorrow
  
2. The narrator’s tone helps to emphasize
  - A. an attitude of criticism and reproach
  - B. a feeling of wonder and admiration
  - C. a sarcastic sense of humor
  - D. a sense of obligation