Complete the incomplete story by using sentences from A to H.

The Monkey's Paw by W.W. Jacobs

Mr. White remembers the strange tale of a monkey's paw that Morris recently told him. Morris somewhat reluctantly shows them the paw and declares that an old Indian fakir placed a spell on it. **1)** _____. Morris then tosses the paw onto the fire, but Mr. White hastily retrieves it. Morris warns him that he should stay away from the paw. However, the Whites are curious, and Mr. White ends up buying the paw from Morris.

After Morris leaves, the Whites decide to put the paw to the test. Mr. White admits that he can't think of anything to wish for. Herbert suggests that he ask for two hundred pounds to help with the mortgage. Mr. White wishes for this with the paw, and he is shocked when he feels it move in his hand. **2)** _____. After this, Mr. and Mrs. White retire to bed. Herbert remains in the room for a while, imagining pictures in the fire. Finally, he sees a strange monkey-like face in the flames, a sight which frightens him. Reaching for some water to pour on the fire, he accidentally touches the monkey's paw, which alarms him further.
3) _____.

Next morning dawns, bright and cheerful, and Herbert is able to dismiss his misgivings of the previous night. **4)** _____. Mrs. White continues to tease her husband about having made the wish, but she too appears to be on the lookout for something to happen, and is disappointed when the morning mail only brings a bill.

However, she is intrigued when a well-dressed stranger unexpectedly turns up at the front door. She makes him as welcome as she can, believing that he is bringing them good news about the two hundred pounds. **5)** _____. Mr. and Mrs. White are utterly devastated at this news, but there is worse news still to come. The stranger says that they will receive two hundred pounds in compensation–exactly the sum that Mr. White wished for using the monkey's paw. **6)** _____.

A	In this rather unsettled mood, he too heads for bed.
B	At this revelation, Mrs. White screams aloud, and Mr. White collapses in a faint.
C	As a result, according to Morris, the paw has the power to grant three wishes, but it brings disaster upon the wisher in the process.
D	He jokes with his parents about the monkey's paw and then leaves for work.
E	Hence, according to Morris, the paw possesses the power to grant three wishes without any repercussion.
F	Nothing else happens, and Herbert scoffs that he's not likely ever to see the money.
G	In fact, he has come to tell them that Herbert has been killed in an accident at work.
H	He felt restless but tried to ignore it.

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