INSPIRATIONAL STORY 2 – KINDNESS

Read the text and complete the blanks with the sentences from the box.

A. "PAID IN FULL WITH ONE GLASS OF MILK … "
B. "MOTHER HAS TAUGHT US NEVER TO ACCEPT PAY FOR A KINDNESS"
C. AFTER A LONG STRUGGLE,
D. WHERE THEY CALLED IN SPECIALISTS
E. WHEN HE HEARD THE NAME OF THE TOWN SHE CAME FROM,
F. YEARS LATER, THAT YOUNG WOMAN BECAME CRITICALLY ILL.
G. HE DECIUDED HE WOULD ASK FOR A MEAL AT THE NEXT HOUSE.
H. HE RECOGNIZED HER AT ONCE.
I. SHE FEARED TO OPEN IT,

KINDNESS

One day, a poor boy who was selling goods from door to door to pay his way through school, found he had only one thin dime left, and he was hungry. **1)** _____. However, he lost his nerve when a lovely young woman opened the door.

Instead of a meal, he asked for a drink of water. She thought he looked hungry and so she brought him a large glass of milk. He drank it slowly, and then he asked, "How much do I owe you?".

"You don´t owe me anything," she replied. **2)** _____. He said, "Then I thank you from my heart." As Howard Kelly left that house, he not only felt stronger physically, but his faith in God and man was strengthened also. He had been ready to give up and quit.

3) _____. The local doctors were baffled. They finally sent her to the big city, **4)** _____ to study her rare disease.

Dr. Howard Kelly was called in for the consultation. **5)** _____, he went down the hall of the hospital to her room. Dressed in his doctor´s gown, he went in to see her. **6)** _____. He went back to the consultation room to do his best to save her life. From that day, he gave special attention to the case.

7) _____, the battle was won. Dr. Kelly requested from the business office to pass the final billing to him for approval. He looked at it, then wrote something on the edge, and the bill was sent to her room. She **8)** _____, for she was sure it would take the rest of her life to pay for it all. Finally, she looked, and something caught her attention on the side of the bill. She read these words:

9) _____

(signed)

Dr. Howard Kelly."

Tears of joy flooded her eyes as her happy heart prayed: "Thank you, God, that your love is shed abroad through human hearts and hands."