

You are going to read a story about the impact of dedicated people on others. Six sentences have been removed from the story. Choose from the sentences A to H the one which fits each gap (1 to 6). There are two extra sentences which you do not need to use.

Inspiring Others

She was just an ordinary lady. I met her on one of my trips out of town. She called herself Tammy and she never gave me more information about herself. But she worked tirelessly. Nothing was too much for her.

I was amazed at Tammy's energy. She was not young. 1 Her eyes really twinkled with love and happiness.

She walked with a sprightly step that did not reflect her age.

Of course there were things she would never tolerate and the staff received some hard comments when they were harsh to the people there. 2 Once a man came to drop off his mother and appeared unsympathetic to the mother's pleading look. Tammy told him off sharply. 'What goes around comes around, young man. Be good to your mother now.' The man flinched and spoke more lovingly to his mother.

I have always wondered what brought Tammy into my life. She brought meaning and wealth to my poor life.

3 I realised then that sometimes people come into our lives and we know right away that they were meant to be there. They help us figure out who we are or who we want to become.

And sometimes things happen to us that may seem horrible, frightening and unfair at first. But later we find that without overcoming those obstacles we would have never realised our potential, strength, willpower or heart.

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Many people we meet will affect our lives in some ways. Our personalities are shaped by all these encounters.

Don't look back to past events for we cannot change anything. 5 Those incidents were meant to be.

In addition, the success and downfalls we experience help to create us into who we become. 6

In fact, they are probably the most poignant and important ones. They give us a rough time but they shape and mold us.

A	There is much to be learned from the bad experiences.	E	It is no use regretting what happened in our past.
B	She made me think and she made me care.	F	We must not have bad experiences at all in our lives.
C	We really need to go through those obstacles to make us better people.	G	Her face was creased with lines but somehow she had that smile that really lit her face.
D	She loved the comforts of a neat and modern home.	H	If she saw disarranged papers or rubbish around, someone was going to get a verbal lashing for sure.