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#### A TIME WHEN I CHOSE KINDNESS

Describe choosing kindness, even when it was difficult, and the difference it made.

(300-500 words)

TOTAL words: 356 words

I joined Young Entrepreneur Club at my school. It is a club that teaches us to sell products and run a business.

I was very excited to take part in our first sales event. I sold 3D-printed items and bookmarks with my friends. Tia was selling snack and drinks, and Uma was selling keychains and magnets.

I stood at my stall, serving customers and wondering how much money I would earn. I hoped it would be enough to buy a big set of my favourite books over the weekend.

After one hour, the bell rang and everyone except the sellers and teachers returned to class. Tia, Uma and I packed up our remaining items, folded the tablecloths and put everything into our bags.

As soon as I got home, I counted the money and wrapped it neatly with yellow tape. I showed the profits to my mom and she was

very proud of me. She also suggested donating the money to cancer patients because she was going to visit them the next day.

I looked at the bundle of money I had wrapped earlier. It was just enough to buy the set of books at the store. It was very difficult for me to decide, but eventually I agreed. I realised that the patients must feel bored lying in bed all day with nothing to do.

That evening, I bought some stationary, paper bags, snacks, and notebooks from Ninsco Convenience Store. I gave them to my mom and asked her to pass them to the children with cancer on my behalf. I also told her I had bought these items with my hard-earned money.

The next day, while I was at school, my mom visited the children with cancer and passed my gifts to them. She took many photos to show me.

That evening, my mom told me how grateful the children and showed me their heartwarming smiles in the pictures. Those smiles taught me a valuable lesson — true happiness comes from giving. From that day on, I learned that loving others means

showing kindness and sharing what we have.

THE END