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Managing Her Illness

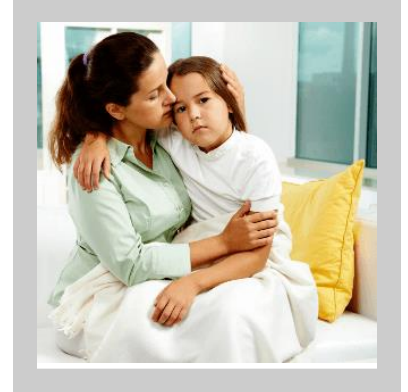
I am the mother of three children. My youngest daughter is sick. She has an illness that will never go away, but it can be managed. She needs medicine to manage her illness. This medicine used to cost ten dollars a month. Now it costs thirty dollars a month. Without this medicine, my daughter has trouble breathing. Sometimes her lungs do not work well. She cannot get enough air into her lungs.

Then she needs the medicine to help her lungs work again.

We have to buy the medicine. We do not have a choice.

But it will be hard to find an extra thirty dollars a month.

What will we do?



1) Which of these words best describes how the mother in this passage feels?

- A. angry
- B. confused
- C. worried
- D. sad

2) Based on its use in the passage, it can be understood that the word **manage** belongs to which of the following word groups?

- A. control, direct, treat
- B. cure, fix, heal
- C. breathe, live, survive
- D. fuel, aid, promote

3) Which of these words best describes the medicine in this passage?

- A. interesting
- B. new
- C. needed
- D. amazing

