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Esperanza's Journey Answer Key

Correct Chronological Order:

1. F. Esperanza celebrates her birthday on the ranch with Papa.
2. G. Papa is killed by bandits.
3. B. A fire destroys Esperanza's home and vineyard in Mexico.
4. D. Abuelita stays behind in Mexico because of her injury.
5. C. Esperanza and Mama travel by train to the United States.
6. A. Esperanza learns how to sweep the platform at the migrant camp.
7. E. Mama becomes very ill from valley fever.
8. J. Esperanza learns to take care of Isabel and other children while Mama is sick.
9. H. Esperanza gives her savings to help pay for Mama's hospital bills.
10. I. Abuelita finally arrives in California to reunite with Esperanza.

Sample Explanations:

- *Papa's death forced Esperanza to leave behind her old life and face an uncertain future.*
- *Esperanza giving her savings to pay Mama's hospital bills shows her transformation into a selfless and responsible young woman.*