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\$20,000 Lottery Winner was Ready to Give Winning Ticket Away!

TOPEKA, KAN. – Kimberly Kelley said she doesn't play lottery games much, so when she bought a single \$2 Double Bonus Crossword ticket she wasn't quite sure what to do with it.

"Not really sure of how to play the game, I decided the best thing to do was to just scratch off the bar code and scan the ticket to see if won anything," said the 40-year-old Hill City resident.

A scan of the ticket indicated that the ticket had to be claimed at the Lottery.

"I assumed I had won a free t-shirt or something and was going to give the ticket away," Kelley told Lottery officials. "But then my boss told me not to do that. He said it could be a big winner."

Kelley's boss told her right! After actually playing the game, Kelley saw that she had uncovered 10 words, winning herself a top prize of \$20,000. More than a little shocked, Kelley quickly called her husband Brent, whose first words to her were, "You had better check again!"

Brent Kelley accompanied his wife to Lottery headquarters to claim the \$20,000 prize. As they drove from Hill City to Topeka, they had plenty of time to ponder how to spend the prize money.

"We're going to use the money to pay off some bills and also to take a trip to see our daughter in Tennessee," they said.

The winning ticket was purchased at Cameron's Corner, located at 405 W. Main Street in Hill City. Kelley works as a clerk at the store.

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