A Shelf Beside the Lift

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Name _____ Date _____

Part 1 — Fill the gaps while you listen

1. Should our building keep a _____ beside the lift?
2. After weeks of book swapping, an envelope appeared inside a _____ guide.
3. Its note asked _____ found it to look behind the back cover.
4. There, someone had tucked a _____ drawing of our courtyard.
5. A tiny tree was marked beside the _____, which was still empty.
6. The note said the artist had moved away before the garden was _____.
7. At a _____ meeting, a quiet neighbor recognized his own drawing.
8. He offered to plant the tree, and three neighbors _____ immediately.
9. Books _____ narrow the passage, so we should keep the shelf small.
10. Still, that little drawing has turned _____ into a gardening team.

Part 2 — Write every sentence you hear

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
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8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Answer key

Part 1 — the missing words

1. bookshelf 2. gardening 3. whoever 4. childhood 5. flowerbed 6. planted 7. residents' 8. volunteered 9. sometimes 10. strangers

Part 2 — the full transcript

1. Should our building keep a bookshelf beside the lift?
2. After weeks of book swapping, an envelope appeared inside a gardening guide.
3. Its note asked whoever found it to look behind the back cover.
4. There, someone had tucked a childhood drawing of our courtyard.
5. A tiny tree was marked beside the flowerbed, which was still empty.
6. The note said the artist had moved away before the garden was planted.
7. At a residents' meeting, a quiet neighbor recognized his own drawing.
8. He offered to plant the tree, and three neighbors volunteered immediately.
9. Books sometimes narrow the passage, so we should keep the shelf small.
10. Still, that little drawing has turned strangers into a gardening team.

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