The Empty Bread Shelf

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Name _____ Date _____

Part 1 — Fill the gaps while you listen

1. Your first _____ found an empty bread shelf, and the queue kept growing.
2. Dear friend, I _____ why the late delivery worries you.
3. By the time the van arrived, two _____ had already left.
4. You have told me this has _____ three mornings in a row.
5. Before _____ the driver, ask him which turn he takes near the bridge.
6. Bake a few extra rolls, then _____ them for a quick refill.
7. A road _____ had sent our driver through a narrow lane, adding twenty minutes.
8. We asked him to take the market road _____, and he arrived earlier.
9. Since then, the first _____ has found warm rolls waiting.

Part 2 — Write every sentence you hear

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

Answer key

Part 1 — the missing words

1. customer 2. understand 3. regulars 4. happened 5. blaming 6. freeze 7. closure 8. instead 9. customer

Part 2 — the full transcript

1. Your first customer found an empty bread shelf, and the queue kept growing.
2. Dear friend, I understand why the late delivery worries you.
3. By the time the van arrived, two regulars had already left.
4. You have told me this has happened three mornings in a row.
5. Before blaming the driver, ask him which turn he takes near the bridge.
6. Bake a few extra rolls, then freeze them for a quick refill.
7. A road closure had sent our driver through a narrow lane, adding twenty minutes.
8. We asked him to take the market road instead, and he arrived earlier.
9. Since then, the first customer has found warm rolls waiting.

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