The Hidden Crossing

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Name _____ Date _____

Part 1 — Fill the gaps while you listen

1. At the island station, the clerk told us the footbridge had _____.
2. A storm had covered the old _____, and the last ferry had left.
3. We had planned to reach our _____ before sunset, so everyone fell quiet.
4. Then a _____ waved us toward a narrow path behind the ticket shed.
5. At its end, wooden steps _____ beneath brown water and swaying grass.
6. Nobody wanted to go first, until a dog trotted down _____.
7. _____ it, we found a line of stones beneath the water.
8. By the time we _____ the village, sunset had turned the water gold.
9. Since then, I have _____ local dogs more than printed maps.

Part 2 — Write every sentence you hear

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

Answer key

Part 1 — the missing words

1. disappeared 2. crossing 3. guesthouse 4. fisherman 5. disappeared 6. confidently 7. Following 8. reached 9. trusted

Part 2 — the full transcript

1. At the island station, the clerk told us the footbridge had disappeared.
2. A storm had covered the old crossing, and the last ferry had left.
3. We had planned to reach our guesthouse before sunset, so everyone fell quiet.
4. Then a fisherman waved us toward a narrow path behind the ticket shed.
5. At its end, wooden steps disappeared beneath brown water and swaying grass.
6. Nobody wanted to go first, until a dog trotted down confidently.
7. Following it, we found a line of stones beneath the water.
8. By the time we reached the village, sunset had turned the water gold.
9. Since then, I have trusted local dogs more than printed maps.

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