The Sock Beside the Washer

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Name _____ Date _____

Part 1 — Fill the gaps while you listen

1. Every morning, one clean sock _____ beside the washing machine.
2. Nobody had _____ it, and the floor stayed dry all night.
3. The family had _____ every basket before going to bed.
4. Then, on _____, two socks appeared, both damp and warm.
5. Their _____ pairs were missing, and the washer was off.
6. They watched from the doorway after _____ another quiet wash.
7. A soft thump came from inside, _____ by a brief scrape.
8. They pulled the _____ away, but found nothing beneath it.
9. A loose drum seal had trapped socks, then _____ them during spinning.

Part 2 — Write every sentence you hear

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

Answer key

Part 1 — the missing words

1. appeared 2. dropped 3. checked 4. Thursday 5. matching 6. starting 7. followed 8. machine 9. released

Part 2 — the full transcript

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