The Toaster's Timer

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Part 1 — Fill the gaps while you listen

1. How can a toaster lift bread without a hand _____ it?
2. _____ the lever moves the bread close to thin metal wires.
3. _____ current heats those wires until they glow.
4. Their heat warms the bread and dries its _____.
5. A timer _____ how long the wires stay hot.
6. When the set time ends, the latch _____ and a spring lifts the bread.
7. A darker _____ usually gives the bread more time near the wires.
8. I have _____ that thin slices can brown faster than thick ones.
9. With an _____ toaster, start low and check the first slice.

Part 2 — Write every sentence you hear

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

Answer key

Part 1 — the missing words

1. touching 2. Pressing 3. Electric 4. surface 5. controls 6. releases 7. setting 8. learned 9. unfamiliar

Part 2 — the full transcript

1. How can a toaster lift bread without a hand touching it?
2. Pressing the lever moves the bread close to thin metal wires.
3. Electric current heats those wires until they glow.
4. Their heat warms the bread and dries its surface.
5. A timer controls how long the wires stay hot.
6. When the set time ends, the latch releases and a spring lifts the bread.
7. A darker setting usually gives the bread more time near the wires.
8. I have learned that thin slices can brown faster than thick ones.
9. With an unfamiliar toaster, start low and check the first slice.

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