The Wedding Table Mystery

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Name _____ Date _____

Part 1 — Fill the gaps while you listen

1. A drop of water _____ beneath our cafe table before a wedding lunch.
2. Before the doors opened, it had darkened one pale _____ beside a leg.
3. I called a _____, but nobody could come before the guests arrived.
4. The nearest pipe was dry, yet the floor _____ wet.
5. Then my _____ spotted a damp ring directly above the stain.
6. A _____ bottle stood there, with water running beneath its paper label.
7. Its cap was tight, but tiny beads _____ the cold glass.
8. I put the _____ on a plate and dried the floor.
9. No fresh drops _____, and the wedding lunch began on time.
10. We avoided a repair bill, and the newly _____ floor stayed pale.

Part 2 — Write every sentence you hear

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

Answer key

Part 1 — the missing words

1. appeared 2. floorboard 3. plumber 4. remained 5. assistant 6. chilled 7. covered 8. bottle 9. appeared 10. polished

Part 2 — the full transcript

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