

探偵コース1

The Case of the Missing Ring

Introduction to the Series



【Reading】

受講前に探偵コース 1 の概要を読みましょう！

Cynthia Hummingbird is a wealthy widow (1). She lives in a mansion with three wings (2). She has one wing to herself. Another wing is for her son's family of four. Her son Ralph is married to Lila. They have full-grown twins, Emma and Oliver. The twins still live at home. Emma is engaged to a man named Paul.

The third wing in the mansion is for hired help (3). This includes a gardener, a chef, and a housekeeper. Besides these wings, there are several common areas (4) in Cynthia's house, including a computer room, a kitchen, and a living room with a giant flat screen TV.

Hummingbird Manor was recently robbed. A ruby ring was snatched (5) from the widow's bedroom. The ring is a family treasure that was

supposed to be passed on (6) to Emma on her wedding day. It was a gift to Cynthia from her late (7) husband.

The robber had bad timing (8). Emma and Paul are supposed to be getting hitched (9) next week in the rose garden. The newlyweds are scheduled to move into the guesthouse after the wedding.

Cynthia hired the best of the best (10) to conduct the investigation. Detective Bossley starred in a recent reality show (11). It was a murder mystery series. Filming for the show took him all over the world. The Hummingbirds watched every minute of it. Now that the series is over, the famous detective is out of (12) a job.

Since there were no signs of a break-in (13), the detective thinks that a resident of the mansion stole the ring. He will question each suspect in a private interview. Cynthia has insisted on taping each interview with a hidden camera. She has made Detective Bossley an offer he can't refuse.

[Vocabulary]

1. widow - a woman whose husband has died
2. wings - sections in a very large house or building
3. hired help- people who get paid to assist a person or group
4. common areas - places in a building or residence where everyone is welcome
5. snatched - taken or stolen quickly (often secretly)
6. passed on - given to the next person in line (for example: from other to daughter)
7. late - no longer alive
8. bad timing - happened at an inconvenient time
9. getting hitched - getting married
10. the best of the best - the top one; #1
11. reality show - a TV show on a certain theme that stars real people, not actors

12. out of - *something* to no longer have something you used to have (such as work, milk, time)
13. break-in - a forced entry into a locked area (you do not have permission or a key)

【Listening】

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