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# LISTENING ACTIVITY

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## THE MURDER OF ROGER ACKROYD

### PART 1

1.  Listen to the audio and complete the text.  
Choose the word/s from the basket below.

- protect • bright • display • wedding • goldfish
- lunchtime • believe • argue • knees • empty • grew

Poirot asked Flora about the dagger in the **1** ..... table and the girl **2** ..... suddenly angry. 'I'm perfectly certain that the dagger was not there before dinner,' she said. 'Inspector Raglan doesn't **3** ..... me. He thinks I'm saying it to **4** ..... Ralph.'

'And aren't you?' I asked.

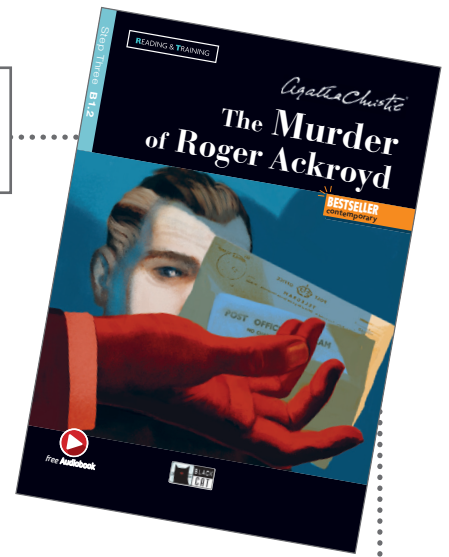
Before we could begin to **5** ....., Poirot turned our attention to the **6** ..... pond. There was something **7** ..... down there. Poirot went down on his **8** ..... and reached into the water, but when he brought out his hand, it was **9** .....

It was almost **10** ....., and we began walking towards the house. As Blunt and Flora went ahead, Poirot surprised me by showing me a small gold ring, still wet from the pond.

'Look inside,' he said.

It was a woman's **11** ..... ring. On the inner side there was writing: *From R, March 13<sup>th</sup>*.

(from Chapter Five)



### QUICK QUIZ!

2. Complete the sentences with either FOR or SINCE.

1. Poirot has known him ..... last summer.
2. Doctor Sheppard lived in London ..... five years.
3. She has spoken French ..... she was a child.
4. Can you come to stay with us ..... a week?
5. Raymond has been his secretary ..... January of last year.
6. You're late, I've been waiting for you ..... an hour!



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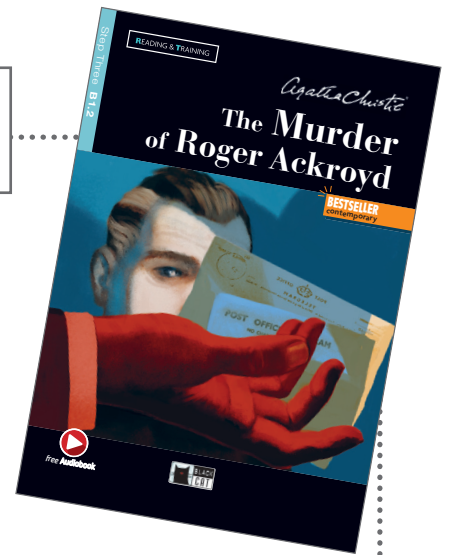
## LISTENING ACTIVITY 2/4

### PART 2

 Listen to the audio and then do the activities below.

3. Match the phrases 1-6 with the correct endings a-f.

1. Hercule Poirot decided to
  2. In the dining room at Fernly Park
  3. The first person Hercule Poirot spoke to
  4. As Flora was engaged to Ralph Paton
  5. Flora said that she had not
  6. At first Poirot was silent, but then
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- a. was Flora.
  - b. seen or heard from Ralph since Friday.
  - c. there were six people.
  - d. Poirot asked his whereabouts.
  - e. call everyone together for a meeting.
  - f. he banged his hand on the table.



### QUICK QUIZ!

4. Complete the table with the correct form of the adjective.

NOUN	ADJECTIVE
1. cruelty	_____
2. _____	angry
3. patience	_____
4. _____	mysterious
5. suspicion	_____
6. _____	silent

