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The manor at Blackfenn had been empty for decades and looked ancient as rainwater began _____ Verb Present _____
_____ ends in ING new patterns down its stone face. Lucie, the town's only amateur _____ Occupation _____, slipped
through a rusted gate and found the front door unlocked as if it had been _____ Verb Present ends in ING _____.

Inside, time hung like _____ Noun _____. Portraits watched; a _____ Verb Past Tense _____ clock ticked once, then twice,
then stopped. Lucie followed a faint _____ Noun _____ down a corridor where wallpaper _____ Verb Past Tense _____ like
old paper maps. At the end, a small _____ Noun _____ revealed a ledger and a single, _____ Adjective _____ footprint in
_____ Adjective _____ ash.

She opened the ledger. Pages listed names - neighbors who'd vanished years ago--and beside each
_____ Noun _____, a neat time and a single word: "Returned." Her breath hitched. The _____ Adjective _____ entry was
today's date and her own _____ Noun _____.

Before she could _____ Verb Base Form _____ the ledger closed, the portrait eyes shifted, and a _____ Noun _____, dry as
autumn _____ Noun Plural _____, sighed, "Welcome home." The manor's door shut _____ Adjective _____ behind her.