



Read the text.

- 1) Underline all the words you don't understand and look them up on the Internet.
- 2) You can also do the exercise on [Zengengo](#) first and listen to the story before you start reading it.


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### Incident at the Purple Pearl

Last week my family and I went to a restaurant called "The Purple Pearl". We went there for celebrating the end of the Corona shutdown. The restaurant was very beautiful and probably the most expensive restaurant in town. My mum wore her most beautiful dress and my whole family was looking forward to a special evening.

When we went inside a very young and friendly waitress showed us to our table. We had a very nice view on the lake which was in front of the restaurant. Then we sat down and my father said, *"It smells delicious"*. I thought he was right and answered *"I also like the decoration very much"*.

Five minutes later the waitress came and asked, *"Are you ready to order?"* As an aperitif my parents took two glasses of sparkling wine and my brother and I got two cokes. Then my father ordered two noodle soups and two crab cocktails for our family as a starter. A few minutes later we got our starters. They tasted wonderful.

*"What would you like as a main course"*, the friendly waitress asked after a while. I ordered chicken and chips, my brother took a steak with salad and my parents wanted the salmon with potatoes and mixed vegetables. We had a very nice conversation and laughed a lot during the time we had to wait for our meals. Then my family and I enjoyed our main courses. The plates were decorated very attractively and the food tasted excellent.

Next my father ordered two glasses of red wine and when the young waitress served the drinks, the accident happened. The waitress stumbled and spilled all the wine on mum's favourite dress!

Nobody said a word and I thought that my mum would get very angry. The waitress was completely shocked and apologized hundreds of times. But my mum began to laugh and said *"Don't worry. It's okay, that can happen. I am so happy that we can go out and see people again. A dirty dress is much better than sitting at home alone and being isolated for another month."*

The owner of the restaurant invited our family for a dessert and paid the cleaning of mum's dress. After all it was a very nice evening and we enjoyed it very much. I will never forget that day and the time when we couldn't go to restaurants because of the Corona crisis.

Vocabulary:



① **Highlight** the correct option.

1. Magdalena's family went to a restaurant called the 🍷.

- Black Pearl  
 Pink Panther  
 Purple Pearl

2. They wanted to celebrate 🍷.

- her brother's birthday  
 the end of the Corona shutdown  
 the end of the school year

3. The restaurant was 🍷.

- very beautiful  
 very expensive  
 very old  
 next to a lake

4. Magdalena's mum wore her 🍷.

- most beautiful dress  
 most expensive necklace  
 newest pair of shoes

5. She and her whole family were looking forward to a 🍷.

- very delicious pizza  
 special evening  
 beautiful table decoration

Tick true or false and correct what's wrong.

- |   | true                     | false                    |
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| 1) The family went to the restaurant to celebrate the speaker's birthday. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2) 'The Purple Pearl' is the cheapest restaurant in town.                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3) The family had a nice view of a mountain from their table.             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4) The family had noodle soups and crab cocktails for their main courses. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5) The waitress spilled red wine on mum's dress.                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6) Mum got angry after the waitress spilled wine on her dress.            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7) The restaurant owner paid for the cleaning of mum's dress.             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8) The family laughed a lot during their time at the restaurant.          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9) The family didn't have to pay for their desserts.                      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Correction:

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Answer the questions in full sentences.

- 1) What did the family have as an aperitif?
- 2) What did the family order for their main courses?
- 3) What did the speaker think of the restaurant decoration?
- 4) How did the waitress react after spilling the wine on mum's dress?
- 5) How did mum react when the wine spilled on her dress?
- 6) What did the restaurant owner do after the accident with the wine?
- 7) How did the speaker feel about their experience at the restaurant?




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