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Where do you think the Fingerprint Specialist discovered the fingerprint?

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The portion of the blade that was inside the box cutter (see below). \_\_\_\_\_

(It appears that the individual who used the box cutter was clever enough to wipe \_\_\_\_\_ his/her prints from the outside of the cutter but forgot about the inside!) \_\_\_\_\_



Fingerprint

