Unit 11: *Wines around the world*

Listen to the conversation in a restaurant. Fill in each blank with the correct word.

The most (1)..... wine from the old world is Champagne. It comes from a district east of Paris. Also from (2) ....., there are the Muscadet and Sancerre wines of the Loire Valley. Further south-west, we have the Médoc, St. Emilion, and Graves wines of the Bordeaux region. In the Rhone Valley we find the Burgundy wines such as Beaujolais and Mâcon.

(3) ..... produces around 25% of the world's wine. Two famous wines are Chianti from the Florence region, and crisp, white Frascati produced near Rome.

Portugal is most famous for Port, which comes from Oporto in the (4) ..... Spain is well known for Sherry, a fortified wine, from the (5) ..... Rioja comes from an area north of Madrid and is very (6) ..... too.

New world wines are improving all the time. South (7)..... produces wine in the Stellenbosch and Paarl vineyards in the south of the (8)..... Australia is now famous for Chardonnay and Shiraz. New Zealand's Sauvignon Blanc is (9) ....., very popular. California now produces some of the world's finest Cabernet, Merlot, and Zinfandel. The Merlot and Shiraz wines from Chile and Argentina are also very (10) .....

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