

Supper Sleuths presents

MYSTERY AT THE MOVIES



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Player Booklet

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Player Booklet and Secret Clue

How to Play the Game

This room is full of crime suspects – and you are one of them! You must try to figure out who committed the crime tonight, by both accusing your fellow players and also trying to convince everyone else that you are innocent.

This game has four rounds, each round revealing new pieces of information about each character. Please do not turn the page in your player booklet until the host tells you to do so!

On the top of each page is information you are to share with the whole group. You can either ad lib or read directly from the page, but make sure that before moving on to the next round, you share all information on the top of each page with the whole group.

On the bottom of each page you will see hidden information about your character. You can reveal this information if and when you think it is the appropriate time. You may not lie if someone asks you about this information, but you do not need to offer incriminating evidence about yourself without a direct question. However, if you find out that you are the criminal, **DO NOT TELL!** If asked about it, do whatever you have to do to keep it a secret like change the subject or say, “I am not aware of that information at this time.” Likewise, if someone asks you a question you do not know the answer to, just say, “I am not aware of that information at this time.”

There are also 8 secret clues that different players will reveal throughout the game. Make sure you do not look at your clue until your player booklet tells you to pass it around to the group. When that time comes, just detach it and pass it around. Or if you are using a tablet, carefully pass it around with the clue displayed.

At the start of the game, the criminal is not aware of his or her identity – it could even be you! Be suspicious of everyone’s motives, and remain in character throughout the evening. After dessert, you will be given a chance to make your accusation. You may accuse any player of being the criminal, including yourself, but you must give evidence from the clues. Again, **DO NOT TELL!** if the booklet says you are responsible for the crime! Okay, now go have some fun!

The Suspects

Maggie Meriwether - Ms. Maggie Meriwether is a famous movie star who played the leading lady opposite Mr. Packer in his latest movie. Maggie is a beautiful woman who wears her heart on her sleeve and would do almost anything to help someone. Just how far would she go to please someone with whom she has fallen in love, however, remains to be seen.

Eve Appleton - Eve is a natural beauty, an heiress to family fortune, and could have been the fourth musketeer with her feminine yet tough demeanor. She is seen both on and off screen as a humanitarian who has brought life and hope to many countries in need. However, her past wasn't so pure, and there are reasons that she'll never look back.

Rebecca Welling - Although Rebecca has claims to fame, fortune, and a litany of movie credits to die for, she's America's sweetheart, as well as lead actor Ransom Packer's wife. Rebecca's beautiful persona can fool anyone for a moment, but when the spotlight's on her, make sure you watch her very closely, for sometimes beauty is only skin deep.

Esther Crowne - Royalty by marriage, this young foreign diva has a great love for America, dual citizenship, and more designer handbags than a department store. However, when her clan is implicated in a treacherous crime, will her icy country convince her to defect?

Mose Stafford - Attorney Mose Stafford is the most sought after counsel for the rich and famous. His intelligence and bravery have gotten him to the top of many a tough trial. When Mr. Packer needs his help, Mose is all in. That is until someone starts an accusation against him that could cost him not only the case, but everything else too.

Pete Rockefeller - Pete Rockefeller is new to Hollywood, and still learning the tricks of the trade. He rose to the top fast because of his good looks, sense of humor, and on-screen passion. Unfortunately, it's his temper off screen that could win him an Academy Award. Co-star to Mr. Packer, Pete insists he is willing to risk everything for him, but when the movie credits stop rolling, Pete may be MIA when his friend needs him most.

Paul Scales - Famous movie producer and screenwriter Paul Scales is shocked that the star of his new movie has disappeared. Although he is upset, nothing will get in the way of a good review for his life's work. Nothing except for evidence showing he may actually have more connections in this case than anyone ever suspected.

Dave Shepherd - Playing the villain in this movie was Dave Shepherd's comeback, and he is anxious for the world to see him still as a young and powerful star. Having been through rehab, divorces, grief, and escape from near death, Dave is still a leader many in America are rooting for. Will this recent scandal draw him back into his wilder days, or has he learned from his mistakes?

Notes

Appetizers

Share this information after Dave Shepherd in any accent, using broken English:

Mecky Lecky Ho! I am Esther Victoria Crowne, high queen of Terrestria. You may bow if you like. My sympathy also, on behalf of the good people of Terrestria. I'm so sorry to hear of your wonderful actor's how you say, kidnapping, by these evil terrorist. I see Ransom a week ago before I leave my country, and we joke about how many flight transfer I have on my ticket and how he may actually get here first. For some reason, I fly coach using my husband airline points. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I will talk to my husband to try to help you. I am big fan of every Packer movie I see. I have poster in my bedroom even! I just love his work. You are very bless woman, Mrs. Packer. Excuse me if I am blushing. I have never been in the room with so many Hollywood movie stars, and I am very nervous, please excuse me. (Giggle.)

Hidden Information:

(Do not share until you feel it's necessary.)

Say, "Mecky Lecky Ho!" every time someone else says the word Terrestria. It doesn't have to be loud and you don't have to say it the same way every time. It can even be kind of quiet and to yourself. Someone will eventually notice it and laugh. Don't forget to enjoy acting like royalty. Walk and talk with your chin held high, full of grace and elegance. You are a queen tonight!

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Soup/Salad

Share this with the group right after Pete Rockefeller:

Watch it, cowboy! You're putting your hoof in your mouth and it may cost you the best chance to helping your friend. Most Terrestrial peoples are not a terrorist. Why are my family and my Terrestria government being accuse of hurting America when we pour out our purse and be kind host of you for your American movie? The king is good and he loves me. If I so much as open my lips to breathe the word, my brave and powerful husband will go in and rescue Ransom. On the other finger, not everyone are as happy in marriage as we are. Right Rebecca? Look what my people find in the search for clues. Maybe you and Maggie should have talk? (Show the group your clue, photo of a woman's perfume bottle outside Ransom's hotel room door.)

Hidden Information:

(Do not share this information.)

You basically have no power to talk to your husband. He treats you almost like a servant and you know nothing about his dealings with Americans. He rarely listen to you about anything, not personal matters and much less work-related matters. Still, bringing hope to these people is always a good plan in your mind.

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Main Course

Share this information with the group after Dave Shepherd:

Mr. Shepherd, I see exactly what you are trying to do. Put the blame off of you-self and onto us. Mind you, it may take much diet and expensive beauty treatment, but believe me, I turn my husband head to me much often, and my humble approach has save many from torture and execution. By the way, before tonight, I was your biggest fan also. I have memorize every Throwing Stones song. I especially like "Rockin in Philly." (Giggle.) But now, well we have no English word for the insult I think so much. The closest thing I think of is this...(Smooosh your thumb down really hard into your hot dog or other food.) But that is aside the point. I have nothing to say in response to your accuse me of being involve in this case. We in Terrestria love the Packman, and his fight for life, freedom, and fun. Paul, my brother, you know this better than anyone. Tell them about our people! Come on, you got my back, no?

Hidden Information:

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If Rebecca brought a little stuffed pet dog, say, "Oh, I see, this one is the next course of the meal!"
Feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!

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Dessert

Share this information with the group after Eve Appleton:

Yes! In my life I see many man rise up to very high power and then make great fall. Make me think of one of my country stories. There was once a big egg that sit on a wall. Hunkety Dumpetish was his name. Then you might guess what happen, one day he had great fall! And then all his enemy have delicious feast of egg and llama sausage stew. The end. Which remind me, when will they bring out the turnip pudding for dessert? Anyway, I want to thank you all very nice for inviting me to this time tonight. I look forward to seeing Ransom again soon! (Raise your hands and bow slightly to each guest at the table.)

Hidden Information:

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If there is a character no one has accused much tonight, try to get a little bit more information out of them, so you can make sure you have as much information as possible as you guess whodunnit! Don't forget to say, "Mecky Lecky Ho!" every time someone says the word, Terrestria. Great job on a tough performance!

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Solve the Mystery

Take a few moments to think through the following questions and decide for yourself who committed the crime. There are a lot of crooked guests here, but only one is the criminal!

Motive:

Who would most want to commit this crime? Why?

Weapon:

Who would have had the means to do so?

Overall Evidence:

Whom does the evidence point to most strongly?

I, Esther Crowne, believe

committed the crime against
Ransom I. Packer!

CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS

Secret Clue for
Esther Crowne

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EVIDENCE:

CASE NO: 48125

RECOVERED BY: Special Forces Agent, Awanda Donutte.

LOCATION FOUND: Snisheti Palace Luxury Hotel outside Room #316. Room was last occupied by American citizen, Mr. Ransom Packer.

DESCRIPTION: Pink Glass Perfume Bottle with Pink Tassel. Appears to contain approx. 5mL of clear liquid. Scent is frisky and floral with a hint of sultry evening rain. (I need a date.)