

# **Eve Appleton** 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 the 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 Pete Rockefeller in an Australian or British accent:

Feeling a bit hot, ah yah now? It feels just fine to me. Then again, I'm from Down Under! G'day, mates, the name's Eve Appleton. Yes, that's right, Eve Appleton, the crazy lady from the reality tellie show with more kiddiewinks than she knows what to do. Just need to find a shoe big enough to fit us all in! Ha ha! I know what yah thinking, she looks great! Well I was only preggahs with 9 of em, the other 16 littlies are me grandbabies. But let me tell you, Hollywood will age you faster than any anklebite-ah's evah will. As you well know, beef-ah settlin down I was quite the tall poppy, living in the lap of luxury. But then something happened and I had to give it all up. Let me tell you, it took quite a walkabout for me to recovah. And since I left, I haven't looked back. And why am I not surprised that the very next evo after arriving, I am caught up in a missing person case? Life shoe-ah hasn't changed in good ol' 90210. I'll bet you have lots of work hee-ah to keep yah pockies fat, eh attorney Stafford?

## Hidden Information:

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

If you have a cell phone, keep getting it out to check on the "littles" back home. Act like you are telling the little buggers to quit fighting and get to bed. "Seth, don't make me come down there!"



# Soup/Salad

### Share this information with the group after Maggie Meriwether:

Oh, shut ya gob, beauty! One thousand dollahs per ounce! Pigs bum! You just reminded me, Miss Maggie, of why I no longa muck around with Tinseltown. Simply a gift from a friend, eh? Forbidden fruit always tastes the sweetah, that is until the afta-taste kicks in. Then it's bitta as death itself. Like they say, the grass is not always greena on the otha side. I've been tha and done that, sweetie. Made the big buckies and had all the frillies. But my appetite grew stronga with each buck earned. I learned a hard lesson and lost my first and best luvvie from it many years ago. So I left fa good and neva looked back. No worries, mates! Much better off now. (Make a wink at somebody.)

## Hidden Information:

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

Your first love was actually Ransom, many years ago. You left him at the altar of your wedding, when a "movie star mentor" told you that you would lose stardom by becoming a boring old matron. Boy, were they wrong. You feel terrible about it!

\*Important: After this round, bring your booklet to the ladies' room and change into your other costume to reveal the tougher side of yourself. If you brought makeup or if any is available, put some army black combat lines under your eyes. Accent your eye makeup in a way that makes you look more brazen, although still girly. Don't come out of the ladies' room until guests are seated at the table. Make sure to remind the host you are going to make a dramatic re-entry after everyone is seated. Tell the host to alert you when they are all seated and ready to start the main course round.



## Main Course

#### Share this information with the group first, before anyone else:

(Come out dramatically and point to Mose and say...) You! Mose Stafford! I call you to the stand! I thought I wanted to stay out of Hollywood forever, but there was obviously a reason for me to be here tonight. The real question is, can you handle a cross examination of your own? You see, mates, men like Mose pretend to be on ah side when they offa' us massive divorce settlements, fantastic plastic surgery premiums, and mega mansions, but what he's not saying is that most of the time, they create the scandals themselves and then go on and exploit us. Well, look at me now, once the helpless damsel in distress, now I'm the model of female empowerment in a town whose main commerce has been to make us look like wimpy, weak models of foolishness for far, far too long. Better yet, I have evidence that's gonna knock ya socks off. Mose, is it true that before law school, you served in the military supposedly fighting in Terrestria? That is until you were dishonorably discharged for killing a fellow soldier! (Show the group your clue.)

### Hidden Information:

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Great job on a difficult performance! Keep up the great work! Now feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!





## Dessert

#### Share this information with the group <u>after Dave Shepherd:</u>

I think I'm seeing a pattern here. They say the road to hell is paved with good intentions, but I tell you it is paved with greed. Money, power, lies, it's addictive stuff, mates. You'll get the drama you're lookin for, and a whole lot more. That's why I lay low and always come prepared for a fight. Well, that's about enough chin-waggin in Tinseltown for one night. I'm completely nackered! Excellent grub that was! A couple snags on the barbie and it woulda been perfect. No worries! Cheers!

## Hidden Information:

If there is a character that hasn't been 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! Feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!



# 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, Eve Appleton, believe

committed the crime against Ransom I. Packer! CRIME SCENE DU NUI UNUS Secret Clue for **Eve Appleton** 

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It has recently come to our attention that Mr. Stafford was once dishonorably discharged from the military for mortally wounding a fellow soldier while on active duty. As a result, it is with our sincere apologies that we must rescind your invitations to the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Military Ball this year. Further, we would appreciate your absence from any military-associated events at GOCC the future. Thank you for your understanding.

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Sincerely,

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