

Supper Sleuths presents

A vibrant movie theater scene framed by red curtains. In the center, a large red and white striped bucket of popcorn sits on a film strip. A clapperboard is positioned in front of the popcorn, with a magnifying glass focusing on the text 'Mystery at the Movies' and 'Supper Sleuths'. The clapperboard also shows 'DATE June' and 'SCENE 03-b'. A yellow cinema ticket with 'ADMIT ONE' is tucked under the popcorn bucket. The word 'MOVIES' is written in large, glowing red letters at the bottom of the scene. The background shows a movie screen and the silhouettes of an audience in the foreground.

MYSTERY
AT THE
MOVIES

Maggie Meriwether
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 with the group first, before anyone else:

(Pretend to sob a bit and wipe your eyes with tissue as only a dramatic actress can do.) Everybody, please! Seriously? How can you all just sit there smiling like that? I'm sure you all know, or most of you Hollywood insiders anyway, that I am Maggie Meriwether, the leading lady to Ransom in the Packman series. Not that you can tell with my eyes looking like a raccoon from crying my head off! (Sob!) More tissues, please! More! This is just crazy. I was literally just there saying goodbye to my handsome costar. I can still see the twinkle in his big brown eyes. And now he's who knows where with who knows who doing who knows what! What in the world are we going to do! (Sob!)

Hidden Information:

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

You are a total drama queen. Everything you do should make people think of a famous Hollywood diva. Speak with a sugary sweet, sultry voice, bat your eyelashes, pout your lips, etc. Lay it on thick as you love the attention.

Maggie Meriwether



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Soup/Salad

Share this information with the group after Esther Crowne:

Well, let's see now. Um, I don't even know where to begin. (If you brought perfume, get it out.) I will tell you I brought one of my many bottles of this one thousand dollar per ounce Heavenstruck perfume to Ransom's room because that evening at the movie set breakdown party, I overheard him tell someone that his hotel room had a gross smell, like someone had died in there. I knocked at his door later that evening and when he *didn't answer*, I left the perfume outside his door as simply a gift from a friend, nothing more. Got that, Rebecca? Nothing more. I may play a flighty and flirtatious woman on screen, but in real life I can assure you that I have my dignity. By the way, if you haven't heard, Heavenstruck perfume has a new, strikingly beautiful spokesperson. Can you guess who it is? (Giggle and hold the bottle up to your cheek as if posing for a picture.)

Hidden Information:

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Another area of guilt for you is that you were flirting with a Terrestrial guard who was trying to pry information out of you about Ransom. Although you didn't give anything *too* important away, you did tell them what day you were leaving, what time and what airline. Oops!

Maggie Meriwether



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Main Course

Share this with the group after Pete Rockefeller:

Guys, I just got a brilliant idea! We've got to get our fans involved! We could start a worldwide protest against terrorism using social networking. Do you know how many people I've got following me this second? They are even combining our names, Maggie and Ransom, to the name, Magsom! I'm going to rally the troops with a few juicy posts! (Pretend to text into your phone, reading aloud what you type, "Please - Free - Ransom! We - miss - Magsom!!!") I can just picture huge throngs of people arm in arm chanting, "Please Free Ransom! We miss Magsom! Please Free Ransom! We miss Magsom!"

Hidden Information:

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Roll your eyes and huff when Rebecca criticizes you for promoting the term, Magsom.
Feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!

Maggie Meriwether



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Dessert

Share this information with the group after Rebecca Welling:

Okay, this is like really hard for me to say, but Rebecca, you're partly right. I am so sick of being alone, and yeah, I was hoping Ransom would have answered his door that night, but just for a big hug! It's like he has this energy about him that is contagious. You can't help but just really enjoy being around him. He's amazing. (Start the water works and whip up some fake tears.) And, I can totally understand how this would make you uncomfortable, so...I'm sorry! (Get up and give a girly hug while sobbing, then sit back down.) Now, as for the term, Magsom, can't help you there. The fans love it, I already paid for the t-shirts, and the show must go on!

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! Feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!

Maggie Meriwether



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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, Maggie Meriwether, believe

**committed the crime against
Ransom I. Packer!**