



# Mose Stafford

## 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!



# Appetizers

**Share this information with the group after Eve Appleton**

(With a bit of a stutter and a condescending attitude.) Y-y-yes, well, um, you're r-right of course, Ms. Appleton. It seems that no matter if there are actor strikes, low box office sales, or a nationwide shortage on pop-pop-pop-popping corn, there will always be work for us attorneys here in Hollywood. I assume some of you probably don't know me as I'm r-r-r-arely in the lime light, thank God. I'm Mose Stafford and I have represented Pete Rockefeller and at least half of the rest of you in legal proceedings. I'd like to represent all of you, for the right p-p-p-price of course. Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, there's something for you to consider tonight. Our crime scene evidence suggests that while Ransom was abducted, others were let g-g-g-go. I hate to speak against a client, but if we are to work together for justice, we must be honest. Peter, you were with Ransom. You had a ticket for the very plane he was supposed to get on! Young man, it looks like you have some t-t-t-talking to do! (Show the group your clue, a boarding pass for Peter.)

## **Hidden Information:**

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

You are somewhat relieved to put the spotlight on someone else as you would rather not have to talk about your long, personal history with Terrestria. You obviously have a speech impediment, but you are not ashamed of it. You like to tell people, "I put the stud in studder."

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# Soup/Salad

**Share this information with the group after Eve Appleton:**

Well, I say we refocus on the m-m-matter at hand. Number one. The terrorists are Terrestrians. Number two, we have the queen of Terrestria saying she will ask for the king's help in the t-tiny details. Number three, the terrorists are demanding a large sum of money in exchange for the release of Ransom Packer. Number four, we have here a room full of wealthy movie stars, some of whom owe me money for tonight's services which I am now offering pro bono, so coming up with the ransom money shouldn't be too difficult. We'll just need a d-d-diplomat to go between the Terrestrial government and the terrorists. Somebody with an understanding of government and politics. Someone who can s-s-speak with authority and intelligence. And this someone should be paid handsomely. Any ideas?

## **Hidden Information:**

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In the distant past you served in the U.S. military fighting terrorism in Terrestria. You were dishonorably discharged for disobeying orders and taking matters into your own hands in the heat of the moment. You've always hoped for an opportunity to somehow serve again be vindicated. You wouldn't mind making a few dollars from the gig either.

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# Main Course

**Share this information with the group after Eve Appleton:**

You had no right to that d-d-d-document, and I've a mind to have you arrested for tampering. Yes, many years ago, I was fighting terrorism in Terrestria and I killed a man. That's what happens in combat. But he was not a comrade. I believed he was a terrorist, in fact I knew he was, but I hadn't yet given proof to my superior. I allowed my passions to get the best of me and I paid dearly for it. I did some time in the brig and was given a dishonorable discharge. Eventually, I decided I wanted to redeem my reputation and do something honorable, so I went back to school and became a lawyer because I believe in justice. (Slam fist down on table or raise staff/cane.) And I know the law first hand! Now I warned Paul, Ransom, and the whole lot of you about the dangers of filming in terrorist-ridden Terrestria, but did anyone listen? N-N-N-Nooooo! Now, per usual, everyone comes to Mose for help *after* they've gotten themselves into trouble. But, luckily for you all, for Ransom, I'll help in any way I c-c-c-can.

## Hidden Information:

Keep up the great work on a tough performance!  
Feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!

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# Dessert

**Share this information with the group after Esther Crowne:**

Okay, look, we have all been revealed to fall short in some way tonight, but who's perfect? Nobody! What I want to know is who's guilty of arranging the abduction of Ransom Packer? We now have every evidence to w-w-w-weigh motives and make final accusations. If someone can't crack this case open a little wider, well, let's just say the firm may be hiring another lawyer to replace me, or to help me get the rest of you out of heaps of t-t-t-trouble!

## **Hidden Information:**

Great job on a tough performance! 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! If no one has done so yet, give Eve Appleton a cross-examination of your own about her dark past! Feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!

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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, Mose Stafford, believe

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committed the crime against  
Ransom I. Packer!

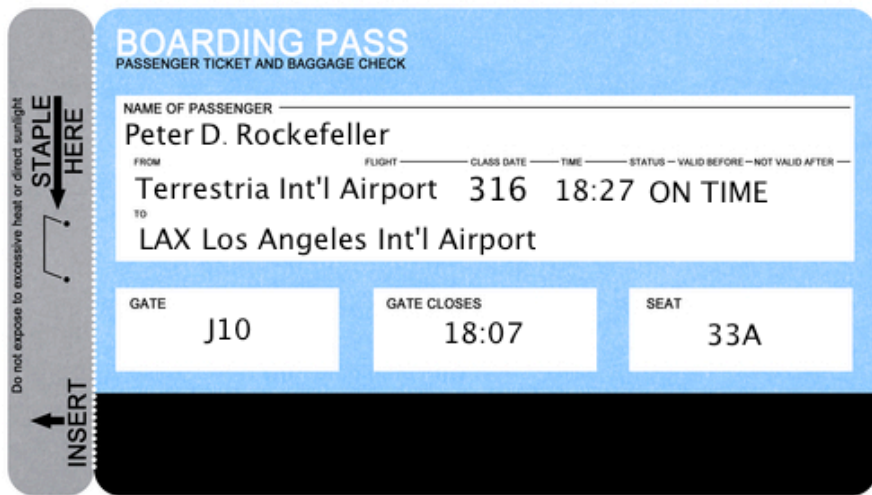


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Secret Clue for  
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