

Supper Sleuths presents

MYSTERY
AT THE
MOVIES



The central graphic features a red and white striped popcorn bucket overflowing with popcorn. To its right is a clapperboard with a magnifying glass over it. The clapperboard has the following text: 'Mystery at the Movies', 'Supper Sleuths', 'DATE June', and 'SCENE 03-b'. A yellow cinema ticket is also visible, with the text 'CINEMA TICKET', 'ADMIT ONE', and 'SEAT 25'. The background is a white screen framed by red curtains, with a film strip winding across it. The word 'MOVIES' is written in large, glowing red letters at the bottom of the screen.

Pete Rockefeller
Player Booklet

Pete Rockefeller

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 after Esther Crowne with a country accent:

(Speak in a cocky, country accent.) I beg your pardon, ma'am. I had no idea we were in the company of royalty. I reckon I should take a bow and such. The name's Pete Rockefeller, but my friends call me P-Rock. As y'all know, Ransom and I are as thick as thieves. I've been by his side since the very beginning of his career. I can't hardly think about him being stuck in that frozen wasteland. With all due respect, Queen Esther, I don't know how y'all can live there. It was flippin' miserable cold! It was so icy, I caught my dog, Jake, trying to use the actual toilet so he wouldn't have to go outside! We couldn't wait to get the heck out of there just as fast as possible. I was like, "Come on, Jake, let's make like a bakery truck and haul buns outta here!" We were practically running to get on that plane. Shucks, is it hot in here or is it just me? (If you have a shirt collar, touch it as if to allow yourself to cool down, or unbutton a button or two for easy breathing.)

Hidden Information:

(Share only after being accused by Mose Stafford.)

Alright, alright, I left him there, ok! When me and Ransom were leaving the airport, his ticket was defective, said it was cancelled or something. Suddenly, what looked like undercover security guards came out of nowhere and started questioning him and pattin' him down. When one of 'em with latex gloves on grabbed my arm and asked if I was with him, I said, "No, sir!" and Jake clobbered him real good. Then me and Jake made a run for it and barely made it on the plane as they were closing the door. P-Rock don't do pat-downs by foreigners! Plus I was scared they wouldn't let me go. As I was runnin away, Ransom was calling my name, and it's still ringing in my ears. How could I betray him like that? I can't get it out of my mind. But I tell you what, if I could, I'd be right there right now right by my buddy's side. Heck, I wish we could trade places! Shoot, I know he'd have done better by me if our roles were reversed. We gotta get him back!

Pete Rockefeller



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Soup/Salad

Share this information with the group after Paul Scales:

Well, for Pete's sake, Paul! I never dreamed *you* were one of them. Now *that* would make a good story for your next movie. I don't suppose I'd mind being in it either. Hey, I got a brilliant idea! How's about I could play a handsome version of you? Oh, what am I saying! I don't want to play no pig-napper. Don't matter how much it brings home the bacon. D o I think you did it? I don't know. Maybe you did! All's I know is, whether it was you or anyone else in this room, Rebecca, listen here and listen well. Now I know I'm probably not his best friend, but this was my best buddy and co-star. We can't just sit here stuffin' face with popcorn while he's over there getting his nose hairs ripped out or whatever torture those crazy people do. I tell ya, I mighta betrayed him a few times, but never again! I say we get our acts together and go take him back! (Stand up.) What do you say? You with me?! Let's teach those crazy Terrestrians a lesson! Yee haw! My stunt double's got nothin' on me when I get going buck wild! (Get up to leave, but then look let down when no one joins you and just sit and eat some more food.)

Hidden Information:

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If wrestler Sam Strong is present, get each other psyched up to go save Ransom with high fives and chest bumps. Feel free to ad lib and enjoy the food!

Pete Rockefeller



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Main Course

Share this information with the group after Mose Stafford:

Hey, what kind of weapon were you usin'? Let me guess, one of those gubment issued semi-auto jobs? Was it a bazooka? I love tearin' the place up with those in the movies. No, wait! It was hand-to-hand combat, wasn't it! Naw, you probably squished him flat as a pancake with a tank, didn't ya! Aww, shucks, never mind, it's probably not proper with the ladies here and all.

Hidden Information:

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Throughout the dinner round, ask a few of the others, "Are you gonna eat that? I'm collecting leftovers for Jake. He loves this kinda salty grub!"

Pete Rockefeller



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Dessert

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

Alright, listen up y'all. We still got a few things to sort out. I beg your pardon, Ms. Packer, but somethin' just ain't addin' up. You were supposedly here in the States while we was off doin' the shoot. But then over the break the police find this in your email? Looks to me like Miss Fussy Pants booked round trip tickets for herself to Terrestria that she *used*, as you can see here for yourself, and then went and cancelled her husband's return flight! What up with *that*? So, *this* is why Ransom was stopped! A set up! (Shiver and show the group your clue). It's email confirmation of Ransom's ticket cancellation and her reservation.

Hidden Information:

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!

Pete Rockefeller



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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, Pete Rockefeller, believe

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



Secret Clue for
Pete Rockefeller

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-----Original Message-----

From: Awesome Airlines <reservations@awesomeair.com>

To: Becky <beckywell2415@genisis.com>

Subject: Confirmation# WAY2XPNSV

Date: Friday, 8:54 PM UTC

Thanks for Choosing

Awesome Airlines!

BOOKED FLIGHT:

PASSENGER: REBECCA WELLING

<u>DEPART</u>	<u>ARRIVE</u>	<u>FLIGHT</u>	<u>SEAT</u>	<u>CLASS</u>
08:40 TERRESTRIA	02:39 LAX	AWESOME AIR 2192	20A	ECONOMY

[MEALS FOR SALE]

CANCELLATION OF FLIGHT:

PASSENGER: MR. RANSOM PACKER

<u>DEPART</u>	<u>ARRIVE</u>	<u>FLIGHT</u>	<u>SEAT</u>	<u>CLASS</u>
18:27 TERRESTRIA	13:32 LAX	AWESOME AIR 316	33B	FIRST

[MEALS PROVIDED]