

Supper Sleuths presents

Crime Scene Christmas:

A Merry Mystery Party Game



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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 the criminal is 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. Do not turn the page in your player's 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 the page, you will see hidden information about your character. Do not reveal this information until 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, you should say, "I am not aware of that information at this time," or just lie if you have to. 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." The criminal is the only one permitted to lie at any time in this game.

There are also 8 secret clues that different players will reveal throughout the night. Make sure you do not look at your clue until your player's booklet tells you to look at it and pass it around to the group. When that time comes, just detach it and pass it around. You may also use the next page to take notes throughout the evening.

At the start of the game, the killer 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 killer, including yourself. However, you must give evidence from the clues, and again, **DO NOT TELL** if the booklet says you are responsible for the abduction! Have fun!

The Characters

Mindy Sue Lewis - This former child actress holiday movie star is now on a mission to bring Christmas joy to the world. She knits non-ugly sweaters and custom Christmas cards for a little jingle in her stocking. However, when her Christmas fantasy starts to unravel, let's just say she emotionally comes apart at the seams!

Jolly Gimballs - This emo elf pronounces her name "Jolie," as jolly she is anything but! She *loves* wearing black and grey as it matches her outlook on life. Jolie couldn't care less about Christmas spirit. In fact, she's been begging Mr. and Mrs. Claus to cut out commercialized Christmas for years. But has she gone so far as to cut out Santa?

Martha Mayfield - This gaudy gal believes she is the single greatest example of Christmas spirit the world has ever seen, and she loves nothing more than boasting about what wonderful things she's doing in the name of Christmas. But pride comes before the fall, and this time she's done something she's not proud of!

Misty Pinch - This judgmental, cranky librarian is utterly indignant that no one can seem to remember the true meaning of Christmas these days! She believes a little Dickens would do us all some good, and wags her finger at anything that doesn't meet her high and lofty standards. But is the prim and proper Pinch only *playing* innocent?

Devon Mack Alister - This has-been Christmas hero with Peter Pan syndrome doesn't have many friends these days, as most people just can't handle his wisecracks and practical jokes (which have been known to go way too far!) But with so much riding on the line tonight, could he have another trick up his sleeve?

Jacque Frostier - This self-made billionaire tech mogul, made himself rich and famous by inventing the coolest high tech tools to predict the weather and harness the energy of the aurora borealis for intercontinental flight. But hold it right there, freeze, there's a chance of mystery in the forecast that will put Christmas on thin ice!

Robert Ratchet - This humble, kind-hearted man works long hours at the office to keep food on the table for his family of nine children, not to mention the many medical bills for his ailing son. He feels desperate to win this thing, and desperate times call for desperate measures. The question is, just what is he willing to do?

Evan Scrunge - This wealthy, shrewd businessman has pulled himself up by his own bootstraps to work his way up from rags to riches. But beware, he's burned a lot of bridges to get to where he is today, and there's a rumor spreading that Scrunge may try to surpass apprentice for the role of head honcho himself!

Rudy Buck - This real-life reindeer rancher from rural Manitoba is strong, skilled, but simple-minded, and a tad on the clumsy side. Though the odds might be slim that Santa would choose someone like him to guide anything, let alone his entire European Satellite Campus, he's dead-set on making sure he goes down in history!

Ginger Bredman - This sweetie is famous not only for her gorgeous looks, but also her beautiful baked goods and the biggest and best cookie exchange every year! No one ever gets a peek at her legendary recipes, but what else is she hiding? Could it be that her breadcrumbs have left a trail to a skeleton in her closet?

Appetizers

You should speak right after Robert Ratchet.

Hey, Devon Mack Alister here, the one and only. Of course you know me, I'm pretty much famous. Yup, I'm that kid that saved the lost, injured, orphan reindeer I affectionately named Dancer. Made national news back in '02, on two networks. So if the contest is still on, trust me when I say I'm St. Nick's favorite. I get a form letter from him every year thanking me for my service in saving Christmas. Oh yeah, and Mindy Sue's my sis, but we don't live together. I prefer to live at home alone.

Appetizers

Hidden Information:

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Play pranks throughout the game when there's a lull. Small stuff like taking someone's fork, or using your spoon to launch a tiny napkin ball across the table, nothing extreme!

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Soup/Salad

You should speak fourth. You go right after Jacques Frostier:

Hey, that's private information! What kind of idiots do you have working here? Yes, sometimes I might get myself into a little trouble, but don't we all? So I like sitting up late at night watching rubbish and eating junk food like ice cream, pizza, and microwavable macaroni and cheese. Is that a crime? Is that a reason to treat me like scum? Now this is why I'm so big on home security. I've got cameras and alarms in every room back at my place, because you never know what creepo with sticky fingers is gonna try to invade your privacy. But seriously, Mr. Jock Strap, you're a cold-hearted filthy animal! NOT cool! You better watch your back, never know when someone might put some ice cubes down it! Ha!

Soup/Salad

Hidden Information:

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Actually this bill presented is the tip of the iceberg. You are in deep debt from using credit to buy your security equipment, along with a home theater complete with leather reclining seats and new video game system. You were totally banking on winning this thing tonight, because your unemployment checks are about to run out and you're running out of tricks!

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Main Course

You should speak right after Mindy Sue Lewis:

Don't worry sis, this is our Christmas and I have to defend it. Maaartha, I got your cell phone, and I'm reading through all your private stuff! Come and get it before I call the police! Ha! Ha! Ha! Don't you know this kid will always win against you idiots?

(Show the group your clue and make sure someone reads it aloud.)

Main Course

Hidden Information:

(Share if you feel it's absolutely necessary.)

You got a tip that something was up with Martha and Evan during the break between courses of the meal. You overheard them talking, so you took her cell phone. (Don't actually take anyone's cell phone, of course!)

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Dessert

You should speak right after Jacques Frostier.

Killer party, guys! Ha! Ha! No, but seriously, I can't argue with Jock itch over here. He's right, if we want to give up on Santa Claus, then we might get more stuff, but we're gonna lose something too. So, what do you say? You guys give up? Or are you thirsty for more? I for one want more Christmas! Look, I don't know what happened to the big guy, but I'm gonna keep hoping he finds his way home just in time for the big day. Why do I have faith? Because even though I can't see what he's up to right now, he's shown me I can count on him. I'll never forget all he's given to me, year after year after year, even when I didn't deserve it, even when I was on the naughty list. Well, I'm outta here. Merry Christmas ya filthy animals!

Dessert

Hidden Information:

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You think this Frostier guy is suspicious. You've encountered crooks like him before and don't trust him past your sleeve. Make sure to ask some hard questions.

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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 several crooked guests here, but only one is a criminal!

Motive:

Who would most want to get Santa out of the way? Why?

Weapon:

Who would have had the means to do so?

Overall Evidence:

Whom does the evidence point to most strongly?

I, Devon Mack Alister, believe

committed Santa sabotage!

Secret Clue for Devon Mack Alister

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