

Supper Sleuths presents

At the Stroke of Murder



Jake Spaulding
Player Booklet

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Player Booklet and Secret Clue

How to Play the Game

This room is full of murder suspects – and you are one of them! You must try to figure out who the murderer 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 murderer, **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 murderer 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 the killer! Have fun!

The Characters (all are suspects)

Jacques Charles –Head chef at Le Prix with his own syndicate cooking show, Jacques is a concentrated and methodical man, whose schemes will prove to keep the night as spicy as anyone could request.

Brandy Slake – A youthful waitress struggling to make ends meet, Brandy has always lived a predictably flat life. Would she dare make a move tonight that would get her the spotlight she has always secretly craved?

Logan Hardley – In Europe for the first time, Mr. Hardley is an American widower who struck it rich with an Internet video last year and decided to honeymoon with his fourth wife here...after only three months of mourning.

Julie Hardley– A self-described true American Beauty, this perky bride is happy to be in another country and even happier to spend all of her husband’s money. But will her preliminary marital bliss be shortened by her haunting history?

Celeste Pardon – This beautiful but quirky front desk clerk will answer of all of your questions, including telling you the time in five different languages. But when it comes to answering the most important of questions Celeste may have to beg *your* pardon.

Jake Spaulding – A British rock star that has just topped the pop charts, Mr. Spaulding is a tad cocky and a more than a tad gorgeous, especially appealing since he has just gotten dumped by the queen of pop herself. But even Mr. Spaulding's suave songs can't conceal all of his shams.

Madeline LaBelle – A true prima donna, Madeline is a hard working passionate, and driven ballerina; she is equally as passionate about her political views. Would she risk a tour de force to make sure things stay in her favor?

Jean Paul Brughni- A curious Freudian psychiatrist, Mr. Brughni will be analyzing everyone and their mother to death. But when the tables have turned, will his he pass his own biased psychological tests?

Notes

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Appetizers

Share this information with the group after Julie Hardley:

(Speak in a British, high pitched tone if at all possible). Hey MirrorMe fans. I am pretty sure I need no introductions since you were probably here for my concert tonight. Oh yeah, and I was introduced early in the night while I was bringing the house down. Did you happen to see my guitar solo? Oh but tonight, what a night. Between my set a woman was killed? I never even got to finish. And I just don't see what the idea of us waffling around here talking about it will do. It's just going to cause a lot of rowing about the issue and I heard bloody well enough of that growing up with me mum. I am just a singer who works very hard and wants to enjoy the night in peace. I am on the top of the charts, and am having a pretty good year, despite a few rough patches. Here's to a good new year!

Appetizers

Hidden Information:

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

You quite literally had a few rough patches turn up this year, patches of bald spots on your head! If anyone makes fun of your high-pitched voice, try to chalk it off as the fact that you have a hoarse voice from singing so loud at your earlier concert. By the way, your band, MirrorMe has a world famous album label.

Jake Spaulding



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Soup/Salad

Share this information with the group:

You have no new information to share this round.
Feel free to ad lib and to focus on the food!

Soup/Salad

Hidden Information:

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

Ever since your voice changed, your “mum” has been after you to move back home. She is driving you crazy and you blame it all on Mrs. Pascal making your voice remind your mother of your childhood years.

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Main Course

Share this information with the group after Brandy Slake:

Well Slake, I think the *only* things we have in common is our Mother country and mutual taste in my music . As for your high opinion of Jacque Charles, Chef Cheapo over here, I couldn't disagree more. Chef, I am on to you and your sour old food! You are trying to pass this cardboard chow off as la crème de la crème. I only can hope the rest of the group isn't fooled by your cover. I certainly know I wasn't surprised when the police handed me this little tidbit of information; it seems Chef Jean Paul was doing a little of his own blackmailing with Ms. Pascal. According to this, Chef really wasn't all that happy with Ms. Pascal's scientific discoveries either. Show the group your clue.

Main Course

Hidden Information:

(Share this only after Logan Hardley accuses you.)

Look blokes, this party's gotten sour really quickly and I'm about to call my bloody agent. I hardly know Logan and I sure don't plan on all of you basing my life on his dysfunctional jealousy. Analyze that, Dr. Brughni. But yeah, I'm getting really brassed off! This woman should never have sold me something that made my hair fall out and made my voice heightened. That's of course worn off by now. Yeah, she told me the product wasn't finished but she sure didn't hold her hand back when I told her I had to have it and paid her big time cash! She probably gave the money to charity only because she felt so guilty for ruining my life. Now me mum will never stop telling me I'll never marry and making fun of me. Jakey-pooh, she says, "Why don't you move in with me again?"

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Dessert

Share this information with the group after Logan Hardley:

I'm tired of all of you prancing around here as though you're something special. I'm the only one here who has a platinum album and no one here better breathe a word about what you've heard tonight unless its about my wonderful talent. I dated the queen of pop, Ms. Loralisa for 3 months. Solid gold, baby. In your dreams! I can't take any chances on this getting out or the paparazzi will have a field day. Mr. Hardley was probably loaded when he accused me of murder. I'm willing to forgive, even pay up, that is, if he knows to button up his lying lips. To the rest of you, it's high time we got out of here and on with our own lives. Cheers then.

Dessert

Hidden Information:

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

You were blackmailing Raquel into creating an anti-serum of sorts that would reverse your rapid hair loses and your shrill voice. You told her that if she did not create this potion of sorts, her good name would be publicly slandered. She told her publicity to tell you, the "exasperatingly bald fellow with a lisp" to please leave her alone and stop wasting her time.

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Solve the Mystery

Take a few moments to think through the following questions and decide for yourself who committed the murder. There are a lot of crooked guests here, but only one is a murderer!

Motive:

Who would most want to kill this woman? Why?

Weapon:

Who would have had the means to do so?

Overall Evidence:

Whom does the evidence point to most strongly?

I, Jake Spaulding, believe

**committed the murder of
R. I. P.**



Secret Clue for
Jake Spaulding

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SUBPOENA

This is an official notice for te above named party to appear:

DATE: MON, 9:00 AM
JUDGE: HON. LOU SCANNON
LOCATION: 2453 RUE MAYET, 75006 PARIS

Mme. Raquel I. Pascal is to report to the 21st Arrondissement Court at 9:00AM on Monday. The issue at hand is the alleged intent of Mme. Raquel I. Pascal to damage the food product line of M. Charles. M. Charles is attempting to sue Mme. Pascal for €1,000,000 in lost profits and emotional injury. Mme. Raquel Pascal has the right to an attorney. M. Charles will be represented by Dewey, Cheatham, and Howe, PLLC.

This subpoena must be presented in person to the bailiff at said time and place. Failure to appear at the time and place indicated may result in a contempt of court citation. Direct any questions to the person ordering you to appear: NOAH I. CUE, CLERK PH: 01.56.73.86.27