

*Supper Sleuths presents*

# At the Stroke of Murder



**Madeline LaBelle**  
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!



# Appetizers

**Share this information with the group after Logan Hardley:**

Bonjour, c'est vous plait. I am Mademoiselle LaBelle. I was pleased to be an honored guest here tonight, in my home country. However, there must be some mistake as to why I am listed here as a suspect with all of you. I was a dear friend of Raquel's. In fact, we were to head to our college reunion together this week. It's really too much to process. We had planned to meet here together and we talked briefly tonight. She was so poised and eager to talk about her successes with the publishing world and scientific findings. I, being, well, not to brag, but since you may not know me, I am a truly gifted and celebrated ballet dancer on the stages all over the country, and had a lot to celebrate too. I am wondering if I shall get out of here soon enough to make the morning connecting flight to the reunion. How grievous for me to deliver the news to our classmates. (Sigh, fan yourself with your hand, or dabble your eyes with a napkin).

# Appetizers

## **Hidden Information:**

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

You are telling the truth that you were friends with Raquel in college but you have always been very jealous of her and her many accomplishments.

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# Soup/Salad

**Share this information with the group after Julie Hardley:**

This evening has been such a stretch for me. To hear about people accusing each other, talking about murder, and being unkind, just shocks me. I am used to a more delicate and graceful scene so you will have to excuse me for not taking part in Mrs. Hardley's unrefined suggestions, no? I am quite sure that the French people in this room understand that we are not used to such slander and malice. Ms. Pascal is such a Sleeping Beauty of sorts. She brought out envy in even the very best of us because of her great charm and attention getting skills and now she rests, while we are haunted by her memory. Alas, it is such a pity that she won't be able to share about her vast accomplishments ever, ever again. But, mademoiselles and monsieurs, you must know I will not leave out even a tiny detail of her glory when I share about her to our dear classmates tomorrow.

# Soup/Salad

**Hidden Information:**

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During college, when you were taking intensive ballet courses and increasingly getting better roles in ballets, Raquel convinced you to go skiing on the Swiss Alps. You lost your footing accidentally, and landed with a knee injury that caused you to miss many important performances and auditions. A year later, you were a "has been" in the dance community, and you stopped dancing for years. Only recently did you pick it back up, and you have only been dancing locally at community centers and elder care facilities, making very little money.

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# Main Course

**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!

# Main Course

**Hidden Information:**

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Your reunion was truly coming up this week, which is why you contacted Raquel. However, during the course of the evening, you planned to find a way to “accidentally” sabotage Raquel’s dreams just as she did yours.

Leading question to ask this round:

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# Dessert

**Share this information with the group after Brandy Slake:**

I must say, it is a real disgrace to think someone as friendly as the front desk clerk would turn out to be such a phony. I mean, those of us with some real culture can spot a phony from a mile away which is why I was not at all surprised when the police stopped me between the break to how me their latest discovery. They probably chose me because I am one of the few in this room, besides Jacques Charles, who has any class. Tsk, tsk. Anyway, Celeste began working for this chateau so she could be here on the night of the lady Pascal's arrival. It seems she was an international spy trying to bribe a secret formula out of Mrs. Pascal so she could make some fast cash. I admire your acting skills, Ms. Pardon, but acting in the real world will only get you in trouble. That's why I'm going to stick to dancing from now on. I don't think I can quite make out this clue; can someone take a glance at it? (Show the group your clue.)

# Dessert

**Hidden Information:**

**(Reveal this section, just after you are accused by Jean Paul.)**

Kind audience. Tonight has been rather a staged incident on my part. Dr. Brughni is right about some things. He is a gifted psychiatrist. One I actually may need to pay a visit to, Can I get your card later, monsieur? I did try to do something desperate years ago. But not to kill Raquel. I only wrote the fake letter so I could watch her receive the same shame and humiliation I have had to face year after year dancing on the stages of community theatres instead of pursuing my dreams to be a world class ballerina. It was her fault, you see. She asked me to go skiing when she knew I was a dancer. Then I hurt my knee and both my knee and my dream was shattered. Her selfish skiing cost me my dream! You know when I was in junior high; my dance teacher said she almost gave me the lead role in the Nutcracker. Of course, Susan Snider's mother bribed the teacher to get her the role instead. The same thing happened to me this Christmas in the community theatre when I danced the role of a mouse in the same production.

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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, Madeline LaBelle, believe

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committed the murder of  
R. I. P.



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Secret Clue for  
**Madeline LaBelle**

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**Background Report**

**General Search Criterion:**

**Name:** Mitzi Fantiga Gemini

**Address:** Unknown

**Verified?:** No

**DOB:** 03-05-80

**Birthplace:** Unknown

**Gender:** F

**Marital Status:** S

**Business Owner:** No

**Record ID #:** 7674398393

**Possible Alias es:** Celeste Pardon, Celeste Pardy, Celese Pardley,  
Celesina Pinke, Cerina Prezere, Tom Smith

**Possible Judgments, Liens and Bankruptcies:**

<b>Location:</b>	<b>Plaintiff:</b>	<b>Description:</b>
France	D. Masse	Larceny
Russia	V. Korsakov	ID Theft
Spain	J. Pridnia	Forgery
Germany	W. Rhinehart	Hacking
USA	B. McGuire	Mattress Tag
Italy	D. DeBenedetto	Armed Robbery

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