

Mama Mia Murder!



Angel Fries

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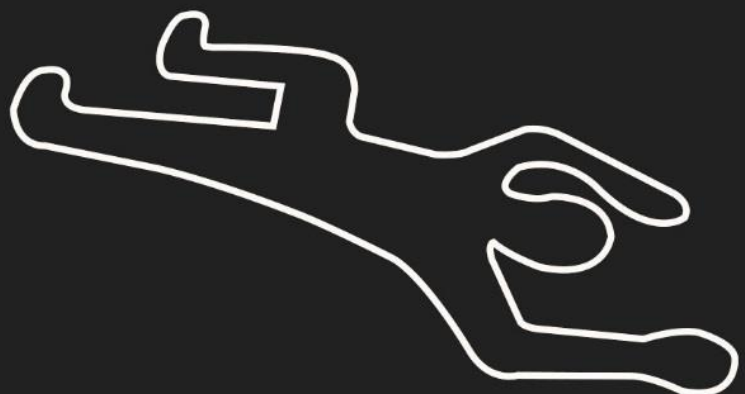
This booklet contains all the information you need to help you act your part throughout the murder mystery; background history, scripted dialogues, questions you should ask and scripted answers to questions you will be asked by the other guests.

You are encouraged to make the most of your part. Feel free to make up new lines and add to your back story or statements if you wish. However, make sure you always provide the information you need to within your answers. We have pre-scripted your statements to make things as simple for you as possible.

Make sure you listen to everyone else's questions and answers.

You won't be told if you're the killer – so feel free to guess yourself at the end – but don't tell anyone else you are! You must protest your innocence until the end!

Lastly: *Have fun!*



Angel Fries

Background Character Information

Keep this information to yourself, and use it to help you to act in character throughout the mystery:

You are a delight to be around and can put total strangers at ease. Make polite conversations with everyone about anything.

You've never really been into the pop scene. It just pays well and has allowed you to travel, which is something you always wanted to do. You've managed to visit many interesting places and your passport is now nearly full of stamps.

It has been very difficult for you to find a kindred spirit among Mama Mia's touring entourage. The closest you have come to one is Dan Sequin. He's a little prone to nerves and may need prescribing something to calm him down, but you might be able to stave him off the tablets with some Swedish head massage.

Angel Fries - Introductions

Use the following dialogue to introduce yourself to the other guests, speaking when indicated below.

Angel Fries speaks after Dan Sequin using the following dialogue:

There, there, Dan. It'll all come right in the end, trust me. Life goes on and without Mama Mia, at this short notice people won't be expecting miracles. If it doesn't work out, well, I'm sure I can give you something to numb the pain. My name's Angel Fries. I was Mama Mia's tour doctor, but I've always been here for anyone. You all know that.

After you have heard from everyone, please continue reading and begin round 1.

Scripted Dialogue - Round 1

- Jacqui Chansonmee** That inspector was a bit blunt, didn't you think?
- Angel Fries** Yeah! Needed a little more bedside manner if you ask me. You can't just walk into a room and announce a death like that!
- Dan Sequin** I know what you mean. It made me go all cold and shivery all over.
- Jess O'Wess** It's a sad, sad day, but I suppose we should all say, "Thank you for the music" and move on. Stars come and stars go.
- Ritchie Keeter** But Mama Mia is the best - after me of course!
- Julie Voo** Was the best. Mama Mia is dead now. Don't forget to correct your tenses, Ritchie.
- Ritchie Keeter** Sorry! Er, since when did you become my English teacher as well as my bodyguard?!
- Jacqui Chansonmee** I just can't believe she's gone. She was such a great all-rounder.
- Dan Sequin** Well, she may have been the best singer, but she was no dancing queen, that's for certain!
- Ritchie Keeter** No, that accolade belongs to you doesn't it? How about a stiff drink? I know I could do with one right now.
- Jess O'Wess** Couldn't we all! Still, it looks like Inspector Andante wants us to help him in his investigation and police officers never drink on duty.

Angel Fries

That doesn't mean we have to stay sober!

Jacqui Chansonmee

Doesn't someone have to get on with the funeral arrangements?

Ritchie Keeter

I don't know. But whoever it is, that still leaves the rest of us to drink to her health!

Jess O'Wess

Well then, does anyone else have anything more to say, or shall we just crack open the champagne and get down to business?

Angel Fries - First Round

Questions you should ask:

Dan Sequin, can you explain why you've been so emotional lately? Is it stress?

Julie Voo, is it possible that you're secretly in love with Richie Keeter?

Answers you should give when asked the right questions.

When asked: Angel Fries, why did Mama Mia come to see you earlier this week?

Say: Patient confidentiality would normally preclude me from supplying such information, but as Mama Mia is dead, I can probably impart some, especially as it is so trivial! She was getting a lot of headaches. I took her blood pressure and found it to be quite high, but well within normal limits. I suspected the headaches were stress related.

When asked: Angel Fries, did you like working for Mama Mia?

Say: Not particularly. Mama Mia had such a difficult personality and was a bit of a hypochondriac. If I'm honest, the main part of my role was to stop her researching symptoms on Google and preventing her from taking medication she didn't need. She was an awkward client, certainly, but that doesn't mean I had a desire to finish her off! I'm a medical doctor! Do no harm is the backbone of my profession!

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Scripted Dialogue - Round 2

- Dan Sequin** So, the name of the game is murder!
- Ritchie Keeter** It sure looks that way to me.
- Jacqui Chansonmee** Then all we have to do is work out a motive and we'll find the killer.
- Angel Fries** Yes, but don't you find it worrying to think that it's one of us?
- Jess O'Wess** I agree. And where was her security when all this was going on?
- Dan Sequin** Probably stood outside her dressing room door. She never liked anyone from security standing inside.
- Jess O'Wess** You'd have thought Julie would have noticed if she was under attack!
- Julie Voo** She wasn't under attack from anyone. Trust me. I never heard or saw anything unusual.
- Jacqui Chansonmee** Unless of course the killer *was* you.
- Dan Sequin** Jacqui! You can't say that!!
- Ritchie Keeter** If you ask me, the best motive for murder has always been money, money, money.
- Jacqui Chansonmee** Always funny, in a rich man's world.
- Jess O'Wess** I hope you aren't implying anything.
- Dan Sequin** I'm sure she wasn't, Jess.

Angel Fries Love is also a pretty hot motive.

Julie Voo Surely you're not implying my poor Ritchie had anything to do with this?

Angel Fries I value my anatomy, Julie. I wouldn't do anything of the sort. At least, not while you're around!

Jacqui Chansonmee All those songs! I can't believe she's gone. Just like that.

Dan Sequin She'll never be gone, Jacqui, not while her music lives.

Jacqui Chansonmee And certain people are raking in the royalties...

Angel Fries Perhaps we should all move on before any fighting breaks out.

Jess O'Wess I think I have a question for someone.

Angel Fries - Second Round

Questions you should ask:

Richie Keeter, is it true that you and Mama Mia were planning on singing a duet together?

Jacqui Chansonmee, do you know why Mama Mia came into a lot of money recently?

Answers you should give when asked the right questions.

When asked: Angel Fries, if Mama Mia was killed by an overdose or a cocktail of drugs, could they have been things you prescribed?

Say: Absolutely not! Like I said, I was always trying to keep Mama Mia away from medication! I didn't even give her anything for her high blood pressure. The only thing I told her to take was paracetamol for her headaches when they were bad. I didn't prescribe anything else!

When asked: Angel Fries, is it possible some of the medication you prescribed other people on the tour could have been used to kill Mama Mia?

Say: Oh, most drugs can kill if taken in sufficient quantities. Taking an overdose of any medication, even paracetamol, has serious consequences. If anyone else had given Mama some tablets, then she might've become poorly, but no one is on anything that would have killed her quickly. There would have been signs. Drowsiness for instance, or nausea.

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Scripted Dialogue - Round 3

- Jess O'Wess** So, Mama Mia is dead and it looks as though most of us have motive. What can I say?
- Jacqui Chansonmee** Here we go again? I mean, at least in terms of questioning. And before you say anything, I wasn't insinuating you got rid of Sid Vicious!
- Jess O'Wess** I should think not!
- Angel Fries** If you ask me, Ritchie doesn't look as sad as he should.
- Dan Sequin** I agree. He should be broken-hearted.
- Angel Fries** Yeah! Since the day they parted.
- Jess O'Wess** Hmm, my, my, why doesn't he let it show?
- Ritchie Keeter** Okay, I admit it. I may not have *loved* Mama all that much, but I did love her when all is said and done. I'm probably the most affected of all of us!
- Dan Sequin** Sing a new song, Ritchie!
- Jess O'Wess** Yeah! You don't fool us for one minute!
- Ritchie Keeter** Just because I bury my emotions, it doesn't mean I'm a killer!
- Julie Voo** I agree. You need to cut Ritchie a little slack. And Ritchie? You needn't be alone. You could be taking a chance on me.

Angel Fries Having seen Julie in action, you would be taking a pretty big chance, Ritchie!

Jacqui Chansonmee I'll second that!

Dan Sequin Yeah! I wouldn't be dancing with Julie, Ritchie. You'd probably end up with a broken collar bone at the very least!

Jess O'Wess Then you wouldn't be able to escape if you wanted to! Not that we're trying to hold you back, Ritchie!

Angel Fries Perhaps we should stop meddling in matters of love and get on with this case.

Dan Sequin Good idea, Angel.

Ritchie Keeter I don't know about you, but it does appear that some of us are a little under attack with some of these questions.

Angel Fries I know. It's all left me very disillusioned with the pop world.

Dan Sequin Well, has anyone got a question for me? Might as well get it out of the way...

Angel Fries - Third Round

Questions you should ask:

Jacqui Chansonmee, now that Mama Mia is dead, will you lose all your downpayment money or was there something in the small print of Mama Mia's signed contract?

Jess O'Wess, can you explain why you were in Mama Mia's dressing room earlier this afternoon?

Answers you should give when asked the right questions.

When asked: Angel Fries, could any of the drugs that people here were taking have a fatal effect when mixed?

Say: Thinking about it, yes. Tramadol and Prozac combined can cause something called Serotonin Syndrome, which is lethal if untreated. Usually, like I've said before, there are warning signs with any sort of overdose. Mind you, I suppose that combination of drugs along with Mama's untreated high blood pressure could have led to her having a cardiac arrest. If there was no one there to raise the alarm, well, that would be it. Sayonara Mama Mia.

When asked: Angel Fries, what were you and Mama Mia rowing about when you visited her this afternoon?

Say: I spotted a couple of tramadol tablets on her dressing table along with a bottle of champagne and her usual paracetamol when I went to see her this afternoon. One of the dancers had told me she'd sprained her ankle and I was surprised she hadn't immediately come to see me. It was clear that she'd decided to treat it herself with Dan's medication, so I hit the roof! I told her in no uncertain terms not to mix the tablets, especially as the tramadol were not her prescription! And under no circumstance should she be mixing anything with alcohol! She told me to mind my own business and fired me! Said I was no use to her as a doctor as I never prescribed her anything! I was livid, but my conscience is clear. If she wanted to take risks with her own life that was her decision. Alcohol, paracetamol and tramadol, although not a good idea to mix, aren't lethal. She would just have gotten very drowsy. Not a good look on stage.

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Angel Fries - Concluding Statement

Use the following dialogue to summarise your position, speaking when indicated below.

Angel Fries speaks after Dan Sequin using the following dialogue:

Can't you? I can tell you this much. I hold you responsible. You should never have taken it upon yourself to diagnose and prescribe your own medication. Believe me, this is the LAST prescription you will be getting off me. And none of you need look in my direction for her killer. Just because I had access to a lot of drugs it doesn't mean I killed her.

After you have heard from all the guests make a prediction as to who the murderer is and why.

Tell the others.

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