

# SHAMROCKS & MURDER.

# A Pun st. Patrick's day murder mystery game.

#### 8-15+ Guests Electronic Version

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#### **SYNOPSIS**

#### This outlines the party events.

In the heart of Dublin, Paddy O'Brian's Pub hosted the annual St. Patrick's Day celebration. The pub's regulars arrived to enjoy fun Irish games, food, and music! The party kicked off with yummy appetizers while the guests mingled about and caught up on the latest gossip. It soon became apparent some of the guests were hiding things, and others didn't get along for an assortment of reasons, but the hosts shifted the party back on the rails with hilarious party games. An amazing dinner was served, and soon after, the partygoers were shocked when a dead body was discovered!

The guests rallied together to figure out whodunit before the murderer had a chance to escape! Ciara Walsh called in a favor from a forensic specialist at the Dublin Metropolitan Police Department who assisted the group with a latent fingerprint analysis report – which helped the amateur investigators finalize their best guesses of whodunit. After the rookie sleuths took turns accusing who they believed the murderer was, the murderer shocked everyone in the room when they confessed! After an exciting escape attempt, the guests engaged in another fun party game to top off the night. Overall it was the most exhilarating St. Patrick's Day celebration Paddy O'Brian's Pub has ever hosted!

# LIST OF CHARACTERS FOR THE HOST

8 required (4F, 4M), and 7 optional (3M, 3F, 2 Either Gender) Two may be expanded into teams of up to 15+ players. Host a 45 player game!

NAME AND OCCUPATION	CHARACTER DESCRIPTION	COSTUME SUGGESTIONS
MURPHY O'SULLIVAN Riverdance Performer REQUIRED MALE	Murphy O'Sullivan is the hardworking Riverdance performer. An obnoxious one-upper, this entertainer is the one to avoid at social gatherings. He's not the type of lad to take home to meet the parents!	Any style of dance costume- i.e. suit with sequins, etc. Optional to wear tap / clogging shoes.
CIARA WALSH Irish Pop Star REQUIRED FEMALE	You'd wonder how this introverted pop idol ever made it to the stage! This talented singer has recently become a hit sensation in Ireland! International fame and fortune are around the corner for this performer if her horrible attitude doesn't get in the way.	Wild and crazy pop idol costume. Optional fake/real microphone as a prop. Bright red (or other color) wig as an optional accessory.
QUINN DOYLE Rugby Player REQUIRED MALE	Quinn Doyle is the intellectual rugby player from the Irish Rugby Football League. A dependable person, Quinn is the most loyal friend you'll ever have. However, he's bossy and will escalate a fit into a tirade when things don't go his way.	Rugby uniform or any athletic attire.
BREE O'DOHERTY Television Weather Reporter REQUIRED FEMALE	Bree O'Doherty's the friendly weather girl on RBC Television. This climate correspondent gets the party going with innovative dance moves, so get ready to cut a rug with Bree if she's near. However, she hides a wicked altered ego behind a happy façade. Once the outer onion skin peels away, she's a villain.	Formal business attire. Green preferred.
KILLIAN O' CONNER Video Editor REQUIRED MALE	Killian O'Conner is the eccentric video editor for RBC Television Station. Killian is obsessive and may drive you crazy with extreme attention to detail! Conversations with Killian are often long, drawn out, and filled with a plethora of unnecessary facts.	Casual Irish-themed attire.
KEIRA O'MAHONEY Professional Billiards Player REQUIRED FEMALE	Keira O'Mahoney is a narcissistic professional billiards player. Globally acclaimed for her billiards talent, Keira often dresses up in disguise to become a nefarious pool shark! She isn't trustworthy, that's for sure.	Trendy, Irish-themed attire. Optional pool stick and chalk as props.
PATRICK O'CARROLL Television Cameraman REQUIRED MALE	Patrick O'Carroll is the moody and insensitive television cameraman. Patrick's colleagues at the station can't stand to be around Patrick's mood swings, but his father is the C.E.O. of the RBC Television station. Pat has major job security!	Casual business attire (green preferred). Optional video camera (real or fake) as a prop.
CALLIE FLYNN Receptionist REQUIRED FEMALE	Callie Flynn is the nosy receptionist at the RBC television station. Callie knows everything about everybody, as she eavesdrops on private conversations. She hasn't made many friends for obvious reasons, but she's the best source in town for juicy gossip.	Casual business attire (green preferred). Optional to have head phones as a prop.
LIAM O'REILLY Punk Rocker Optional Male	Liam O'Reilly is a local punk rocker who fronts the band <i>Ginger Mohawks</i> . He is an animal rights activist and heads up various campaigns when he's not on tour. Liam prefers to sing instead of talk. This behavior may become peculiar during a long chat.	Punk rock attire. Optional real or fake guitar as a prop. A red Mohawk wig as an optional accessory.

CADENCE KAVANAGH Abstract artist Optional Female	Cadence Kavanagh is a paranoid abstract artist who believes the Irish government spies on her every move. But why would the government spy on an artist? Cadence has many reasons, but none of them seem rational.	Trendy attire with optional paint splatters on it. A box of aluminum foil as an optional prop - you wrap everything so the government can't spy on you.
AIDAN SWEENEY Professional Skateboarder Optional Male	This rude skateboarder will ruin any party with his offensive behavior! Everyone tries to avoid Aiden Sweeney, as he's the most impolite person in Dublin. Aiden is unhappily married to Bree O'Doherty's sister and often boasts about how miserable he makes the O'Doherty family! Nice gent, huh?	Skateboard attire. An optional skateboard as a prop. Red wig as an optional accessory. Red goatee as an optional accessory.
ADARA MACDERMOTT Homemaker Optional Female	Adara MacDermott is the domineering homemaker and neighborhood gossip. Adara will do anything to get the scoop on the latest gossip, but nobody's ever scored the 4-1-1 on her! She's got to be hiding something, but what?	A house dress, apron and rubber gloves as an optional prop. Hair curlers in your hair as an optional accessory.
MORGAN O'LEARY Astrophysicist Optional Either	Morgan O'Leary is a nerdy astrophysicist. A budding comic, Morgan performs twice a week at the neighborhood comedy club. If Morgan's in the room, people are in stitches.	A t-shirt with a humorous saying on it with blue jeans.
FLANAGAN SHEEHAN Wawabe Superhero Optional Male	Flanagan Sheehan has been unemployed since he inherited his great grandmother's home. He borrows money for his living experiences, and as ducks fly with ducks, Flanagan hangs out with his fellow mooches on a daily basis. This group of moochers nicknamed themselves 'The Midnight Heroes.' Every night, they pretend to be superheroes watching over the streets of Dublin.  *Can be expanded up to 15 (M/F) additional characters as members of the Midnight Heroes	Superhero costume of any kind. If hair is showing, an optional red wig as an accessory.
RILEY O'KEEFE Motorcycle Gavo Leader Optional Female	Riley O'Keefe is the cordial leader of the motorcycle gang, the Dublin Greasers. A butcher by day, this motorcycle diva roars down the streets of Dublin in her spare time. Riley makes it her life's mission to make sure her bikers are better outfitted and more highly-skilled on a bike than the rival gang, the Dublin Motonauts.  *Can be expanded up to 15 (M/F) additional	Motorcycle club jacket, leather pants, or any biker attire.
	characters as members of the Dublin Greasers	

# **Host Instructions**

# Full instructions are included in the purchased game. Our games are super easy to host!

**GAME STRUCTURE:** the game is organized into four rounds and is structured as follows:

**OPTIONAL PRE-GAME STARTER:** these optional pre-game tasks are to be delivered to each guest before the party, or give them to the guests as they arrive. All pre-game materials are optional. They are intended to enhance the build up for the event. These tasks are not vital to solving the mystery. Also, encourage your guests to view the Your Mystery Party guest pre-game website to get them excited about your game (this is highly encouraged).

**ROUND ONE:** Deliver the round one clue card envelopes as your guests arrive. It is optional to serve cocktails for adults and appetizers.

**ROUND TWO:** Deliver the round two clue card envelopes. It is optional to break for dinner either before or after this round.

**SOLUTION ROUND THREE:** Deliver the round three solutions. It is optional to serve coffee/hot cocoa and dessert.

Don't host a party without some type of food/beverage offering - hungry guests are not happy guests.

For further questions, check out our FAQ webpage at <a href="http://mymysteryparty.com/how-to-host-faq/">http://mymysteryparty.com/how-to-host-faq/</a> or our author's blog for more DIY and hosting help: <a href="http://mymysteryparty.com/murder-mystery-blog/">http://mymysteryparty.com/murder-mystery-blog/</a> If your question is still not addressed in the FAQ/blog or these instructions, contact us via email: <a href="mailto:support@mymysteryparty.com">support@mymysteryparty.com</a> Responses are guaranteed within 24 hours.



# **Example Timeline**

**7:00 PM:** Guests arrive. Take guest photos and serve refreshments. Have the invited guest list available for the guests to view as they trickle into the party. Once everybody has arrived, snap a group photo!

**7:10 PM:** The host goes over the guest instructions for the mystery game. It is optional to have each character stand up and introduce themselves to the group. You can play the game trailer video for an introduction.

**7:20 PM:** The round one clue cards are handed out, and the game begins. The guests mingle and discuss the clues on their clue cards. Motives will start to unfold during this round.

7:50 PM: An optional bonus game is played.

8:05 PM: An optional dinner is served. Snacks can be served throughout the party instead.

**8:35 PM:** The round two envelopes are handed out, and the guests mingle about with their pre-murder clues.

**9:00 PM:** The victim is revealed, and the investigation of the crime begins. The mystery investigation sheets are handed out, and the guests interrogate each other (using the post-murder clues). Each guest should interview every player in the game.

**9:15 PM:** The forensic report is revealed.

**9:30 PM:** The investigation sheets (guesses of whodunit) are turned in to the host. After the sheets are collected, the guests may take turns accusing who they believe did it.

**9:45 PM:** Dessert and coffee may be served at this time. The round three solutions are handed out to the guests. Each player presents their solution, and the murderer confesses at the end. Allow a few minutes for the guests to mingle at the end to discuss the mystery.

**10:00 PM:** Another optional bonus game may be played &/or host an optional awards ceremony!

To shorten the mystery party, omit the bonus games, don't stop for dinner, omit the accusation round, and don't host an awards ceremony. Also, you can shorten the game even further by only having the required players read their solutions (or even just the murderer). If you wish to extend the length of the party, add more bonus games!

# **INVITED GUESTS**

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**NAME TAGS** Print, cut out and place in plastic badges you can purchase at any office supply store – fasten with a lanyard or clip. Alternatively, skip the badges and adhere with double sided tape



Each player will have a name tag in the purchased game.

# **OPTIONAL PRE-GAME TASKS**

#### CHARACTER Y

OPTIONAL: FOR SOME PRE-PARTY FUN,
CONTACT THE FOLLOWING GUESTS BEFORE THE
PARTY:

Contact the guest playing Character H and tell her that she should have Riverdance performers as her backup dancers for her upcoming international tour. Riverdance is what is hot right now, and you are available.

**CONTACT INFO:** 

**Contact** the guest playing Character N and say that her motorcycle gang is only good for noise pollution. You are tired of them making a ruckus in the streets of Dublin!

**CONTACT INFO:** 

Each player will have a pre-game task card in the purchased game. Names removed to minimize spoilers, but don't read the card if you want to keep everything a surprise (but the victim and murderer are not disclosed, however).

The party ready pack cards are printed on both sides, folded, and come with our standard mystery parchment style graphic.

The instant download game will look like the cards in this sample file.

# ROUND ONE CLUE CARDS: Cut out, slip into envelopes and label with the appropriate

round and character ≫

## Character S- ROUND ONE CLUES TO REVEAL DURING THIS ROUND

#### MINGLE WITH OTHERS AND DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- Character B is your only friend at the station but your father's the CEO, so you don't care.
- Character N is dating your father and has convinced him to cut you off and out of his last will. She's been with him two months and has filled his head with lies!
- You were at the Blarney Stone Pool Hall a while back. An Asian lady you'd never seen before bet she could beat you at a game of billiards. She lost two games, and then bet you everything in your wallet and won. It was Character V in disguise. You can't stand her!
- Tell Character K you don't appreciate what he does to your camera shots in post-production. He makes your work look shoddy with editing.
- You played racquetball with Character D. She's really good, and after missing a shot, you fell and think you sprained both wrists. You didn't seek medical treatment, but you should have, as they are very weak, and you can barely move them! You should seek help.

#### PERSONAL CLUES TO CONCEAL

After your father and Character N started dating, he started to change. You are worried about losing your job, as he was the only reason you haven't been fired. Human Resources wants to fire you. You are rude.

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**ROUND TWO CLUES** \*>cut out, slip into labeled envelopes with the appropriate character and round.

#### **CHARACTER R - ROUND TWO**

#### **PRE-MURDER CLUES TO DISCUSS**

- You heard something about Shanks Sheldrock (the National Billiards Club Champion) being murdered ~a week ago. You don't follow billiards, so it was just another murder to you. But you just realized Character Y is the Sunday Night Slasher a serial killer who's terrorized Dublin for about 5 years! It all makes sense! She probably killed Shanks last Sunday because he won over her. Now, she may be after you!
- Character L is on the outs with his father who is the CEO of RBC TV. He is rude and heartless and films people at angles giving them double chins!
- Talk about when you visited Character I, Character X side-swiped your car in the street and then lied to the police. The damage to your car cost you a lot of money!

  POST MURDER CLUES:
- You left the pub area ~9 minutes before the victim was discovered. You were gone for ~5 minutes getting fresh air. You saw Character B, but he went inside after~ 1-2 minutes. You recall seeing Character T walking toward her car. You don't remember seeing her after that, however.
- You touched the murder weapon earlier. It was on the bar. You cut a thread hanging from your shirt sleeve.
- Character S was gone from the pub area during the time the victim was murdered.

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# MURDER MYSTERY INVESTIGATION

# **INVESTIGATED BY:**

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# **SOLUTION ROUND THREE CARDS**

character name is here FINAL SOLUTION ROUND THREE

Read after character L

The solution is there. The players will read their solutions aloud in front of the group, and the murderer will eventually confess!

The next player to read is given here.

# **MENU SUGGESTIONS**

**GUINESS FONDUE** 

IRISHMAN'S FAV - CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE

POT O' GOLD DUBLIN'S CODDLE

**LEPRECHAUN JUICE** (cocktail for adults)

SUPER ST' PADDY'S CAKE

THE GREEN TIME MACHINE (cocktail for adults)

THE GREENTASTIC ENDING (cocktail for adults)

RECIPES ARE GIVEN IN THE PURCHASED GAME, BUT WE ALSO HAVE CREATED A PINTEREST BOARD WITH MANY MORE IRISH THEMED PARTY FOODS.

# **BONUS ACTIVITIES!**

FOR 100 MORE PARTY GAMES AND MORE PARTY ADVICE, RECIPES, THEMES, ETIQUETTE AND MORE, PURCHASE THE OFFICIAL PARTY HOST HANDBOOK BY DR. BONNIE.

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# THE ANSWER KEY IS ON THE NEXT PAGE. DO NOT VIEW THE KEY IF YOU DON'T WANT TO SPOIL THE MYSTERY.

**ANSWER KEY** 



THERE IS AN ANSWER KEY IN THE PURCHASED GAME. YOU CAN USE THIS TO SQUASH ANY END-OF-THE-MYSTERY DEBATES! \*USUALLY NOT NEEDED, HOWEVER.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GAME:

- Send your guests to the Your Mystery Party guest pre-game site at <a href="http://yourmysteryparty.com/shamrocks">http://yourmysteryparty.com/shamrocks</a>
- Pinterest page: <a href="https://www.pinterest.com/mymysteryparty">https://www.pinterest.com/mymysteryparty</a> We have created a board for all of our games that includes theme-specific DIY party food and décor. To find the direct link to the Pinterest page, go back to the webpage where you purchased the game and scroll to the bottom of the page you'll see the Pinterest board there. Click on it to enlarge and view the pins.
- Social media posts: #MyMysteryParty no spoilers, please! Spoilers include any pictures or text of who the victim/murderer is, such as a decorated victim wearing their name tag in the photo. Please do not ruin the game for others.
- The game trailer video is located on the Your Mystery Party page.

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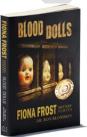
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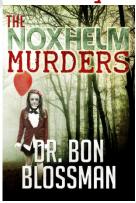






And check out the 2017 releases: Dregs Island (YA thriller), which took home the silver medal at Reader's Favorite! And, The Noxhelm Murders (YA horror mystery).





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