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# A MURDER MYSTERY EVENING WITH CRÈME DE LA CRIME

**Bored** with speakers, competitions and slide shows?

**Looking** for something different for your social group meeting?

**Why not test your powers of investigation** with one of **Crème de la Crime's Murder Mystery Evenings?**

Teams of participants piece together the clues from a package of witness statements and other evidence, and earn points for every element of the mystery you solve – and points mean prizes...

**Choose from three sizzling scenarios:**

## **FATAL EXIT**

Crème de la Crime's best investigative minds are agreed about one thing: Luke Weller the sleazy theatre odd-job man had it coming. But days into the investigation they're baffled.

## **FIT TO DROP**

Murder at the health club! Gym instructor Rob Harkness is found dead in his own exercise studio – and everyone has a motive!

## **DANCE OF DEATH**

The Hon Hector Bonham-Ware is discovered with an ornamental dagger in his neck during a ball at his in-laws' country house. The question is, who disliked him most?

## **ALL YOU HAVE TO DO.**

**CALL** Crème de la Crime on the number below, or e-mail us if you prefer, to book a date for your event. We make a small charge of £50 + VAT to cover our expenses and a royalty for the creator of the scenarios, and we'd like the opportunity to offer copies of our books for sale on the night at bargain prices – in particular, a volume of short stories by some big-name authors, which we published in support of a breast cancer charity. In return we provide everything except the participants: advance publicity material if your event is open to the public, a host for the event, all the evidence you need to solve the crime, answer sheets, prizes for the winning team – **AND A LOT OF FUN!**

The **HOST** will be one of Crème de la Crime's authors, or a member of our editorial team.

The **EVIDENCE** comes in **PACKS**: one for each team of participants. We supply everything you need to solve the Murder Mystery. We even supply pencils.

The **PRIZES** will be books from Crème de la Crime's action-packed list.

And the **FUN**? That's guaranteed.



## ON THE NIGHT.

- There is no performance element; teams of three or four participants use the contents of the Evidence Packs to work out who committed the murder.
- The host will arrive in good time.
- First of all, we'll need a space where participants can gather for an initial briefing and the host can set up a display of books for sale. The briefing takes just a few minutes, so chairs are not compulsory.
- After the briefing, the participants will divide into their teams to solve the mystery using the evidence in the packs. Each team will need a table or similar space to enable them to spread out the evidence. This part of the evening takes about an hour, so chairs are pretty important too.
- A few minutes before the end of the detecting time, the host will tell participants that it's time to decide whodunit, if they haven't already worked it out. If you are supplying refreshments, this is a good time for a break. Then everyone gathers in the briefing space again with their answer sheets.
- The host will ask the teams for their solutions to the various parts of the mystery before reading the Confession in which all is revealed. Then s/he will allocate points for correct answers, and the winning team will collect their prizes.

## SO WHAT DO YOU DO NEXT?

Choose a date for your event, with an alternative or two in case your first choice is already taken - our events are always popular. Then give us a call to make the arrangements. In fact, give us a call anyway if you'd like to know more.



We can also offer a **Crime Fiction Quiz Night** – fifty questions on everybody's favourite genre, designed to appeal to crime fiction devotee and novice alike.

**Fifty questions** cover every aspect of crime fiction.

**Teams of players** earn points for every quiz question they answer

**- and points mean prizes...**

Our terms are similar to those for the Murder Mystery Evenings:

- a small fee (usually £50 + VAT) to cover incidental expenses and a small royalty for the scriptwriter who created the scenarios;
- a display of books for sale at bargain prices from Creme de la Crime's list;
- ... for which we supply everything except the participants.

**We can also custom-design an event to your requirements: an entertaining talk from one of our crime writers or editors, a panel discussion, a crime writing workshop – or tell us your ideas. Call us on the above number, and tell us what you're looking for.**

**IT WOULD BE A CRIME TO MISS OUT.**