



**Name:** Sandy Pender

**Occupation:** Concierge and host of tonight's event.

**The Host's role:** You will be leading this event and must do your best to bring the drama! Refer back to the Hosting Guide as needed.

## Gameplay

1. The players are given their character booklets at the start of the party, which include bios and objectives/tasks for each round, and the host starts the game.
2. The host will read aloud their speech.
3. All the guests then have about 30 minutes to chat, referring to their Round 1 objectives.
4. This repeats for two more rounds throughout the evening.
5. The game ends with the host's closing speech.
6. Players then decide on the suspects and vote.
7. The killer reveals themselves!

## Rules

- Only read your character objectives at the start of each round!
- The murderer is the only person who is allowed to lie (besides the host). Everyone else may change the subject, bluster, storm off, etc. but must always tell the truth when pressed. You cannot ask other players directly if they're the murderer, though!
- Stay in character! It's okay to laugh but try always to return to your character.
- Engage with everyone—your goal is to figure out who the murderer is, and the best way to do that is by speaking with as many people as you can to find out what they know!



**SANDY PENDER (HOST)**

Flamboyant, outgoing, and a bit of a gossip with a taste for the finer things in life.

# Round 1

"The... Savoy! The very name leaves one breathless with anticipation. Admire the mixture of Edwardian and art deco stylings, mahogany woodwork and polished black-and-white checkerboard marble floor tiles. Opposite us, you'll see the wide staircase leading to the Canadian Bar, the location of our event this evening! Only patrons with invitations are granted access to this event. Mr. Douglas McIntyre's announcement party for his tell-all publication, *Secrets to Die For*, promises to be the talk of the town!"

I am your host, Sandy Pender. Allow me to introduce your fellow guests:

- Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret
- Turner Anguille
- Poppy Anguille
- Noël Coward
- Percy Hoskins

(IF PLAYING)

- Elizabeth Taylor
- Richard Burton

Our esteemed author should be arriving shortly. Until then, please mingle amongst yourselves! I'm sure Mr. McIntyre will be out momentarily."

(Wait appropriate amount of time. Ask whether everyone has shared everything they need to at this time.)  
(Feign receiving a distressing phone call)

"Why, this cannot be...I simply cannot believe it! My dear guests, it brings me great distress to inform you that Mr. McIntyre has been found in his room...dead!"

# Round 2

"I have been asked to have you remain here for the time being, as the police conduct their investigation. It seems they suspect foul play was involved. Rest assured, the hotel will do everything we can to ensure your safety, but at this time, you must remain in this room."

(Wait appropriate amount of time. Ask whether everyone has shared everything they need to at this time.)  
(Feign receiving another distressing phone call)

"After thorough investigation, it seems there's been a development in the case. They've discovered the murder weapon... was a fountain pen! Or to be more precise, the ink within the pen. How diabolical, to poison an artist with his own instrument! And what's worse, there was no sign of forced entry—so we might assume the culprit knew our poor Mr. McIntyre. And that the murder was personal."

# Round 3

"At this time, the hotel asks that you remain here, for your own safety and at the request of the investigators. Please, carry on amongst yourselves."

(Wait appropriate amount of time. Ask whether everyone has shared everything they need to at this time.)  
(Feign receiving yet another distressing phone call)

"Though this is wholly unorthodox, it seems that the investigators require our assistance in solving this crime. Though they believe they know the perpetrator's identity—in fact, they have informed me it is someone among us, a guest at this very event—they would like each of you to come forward and share who you suspect is the murderer. After which point, I will reveal their identity."

(Allow guests to make their guesses.)

"I would now like to ask the true murderer to reveal themselves...and tell us why they would kill Mr. McIntyre!"

(Give Murderer the chance to reveal themselves and their motives.)

(At this point, the host may conclude the event however they see fit.)