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Greased at the Diner



Arthur Bronzerelli
Character Booklet

Congratulations! You are taking part in a murder mystery by Red Herring Games.

A few simple instructions to help you along:

Firstly: Don't Panic!

This booklet contains all the information you need as a guest to help you act your part throughout the murder mystery party.

The first page provides you with additional background information to help you get into character, however there are no special acting abilities required and you can make as much or as little of your character as you wish.

After that on each page you are given either something to read out, questions to ask, or answers to questions you may be asked. Although you are encouraged to ad lib, it is very important you do not lie, so provide the information contained within your booklet when it is asked of you.

Your host for the evening will direct you where necessary and tell you when to move on to the next round when the time is right.

If you are the murderer you will not be told. When you finally come to guess who did it – it could easily be you and feel free to point the finger at yourself if you feel you must!

And lastly: Have fun!

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Arthur Bronzerelli

Background Character Information:

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

You feel you are way too “cool” to be made to work. Money should just grow on trees, as far as you are concerned.

You have led a spoiled life, as your mother came from a wealthy Sicilian family, the Valachis.

You have always had a soft spot in your heart for Peggy Sousa, but you don't show it outwardly.

Arthur Bronzerelli

Introductions:

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

Bronzie speaks first, using the following dialogue:

Dino Valachi is dead? He's my mother's brother, MY uncle! I mean, he's not exactly young, but he isn't that old either to have died like that. And what a dampener it's put on the party! He was so smart with money matters and had so many friends... they'll all be devastated, just like me, I'm sure.

Anyway, like that man said, introduce yourself. Well, I may look like it, I'm no rebel without a cause, I am Arthur Bronzerelli, known to all of you by my nickname, Bronzie...

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

Scripted Dialogue Round 1

Arthur Bronzerelli This isn't cool people... the business about my uncle being found the office wasn't what I wanted to hear.

Pinkie LaRue Bronzie, it's not just the fact he was found in his office, but he was found *dead* and Poora was the one who found him!

Poora Moore Yeah...he was as dead as the tips are around here and I know how dead that is!

Maynard G. Wayout Oh Poora, there you go whining again...blah, blah, blah. Maybe if you were a little quicker on your feet, the tipping would be there.

Peggy Sousa Isn't there a band called Blah, Blah, Blah?

Buddy Folly Good golly Peggy; I think you mean Sha Na Na.

Peggy Sousa Oh yeah, that's it... I got it confused. (Giggles)Anyway, I hear there's a great movie playing at the drive-in. Let's all take a walk to see it, when we get done here.

Cont.

- Arthur Bronzerelli** Peggy, no one walks into a drive-in!
Geez...
- Pinkie LaRue** I don't think we will be getting out of
here anytime soon, so who cares what
the movie is!
- Buddy Folly** The sooner that detective is finished,
the sooner we can go.
- Maynard G. Wayout** I agree. Still, while we wait, why
don't we chat a bit. I'd love to find
out how everyone knows Dino.

Arthur Bronzerelli**First Round****Questions you should ask:**

Buddy seems to have heard of the jazz musician, Theo Monk.
Ask Buddy Folly what he knows about him.

Peggy seemed to like Dino and mentioned she found him
approachable and accommodating. Ask Peggy Sousa details on
the agreement she had with Dino about teaching her dance
lessons at the diner.

**Information you should reveal about yourself only when
asked.**

You never really got along very well with your Uncle Dino. He
always thought of you as being a lazy ladies' man. He wouldn't
even hire you as an assistant manager for this diner, after he told
you that you had to get a job or else.

You know that Dino had many investment interests. Besides the
diner, he liked to dabble in the music industry, independent
banking and motion picture films. He had inherited his money
from his father, your grandfather, Valence Valachi, as did your
mother. You have yet to receive your fair share of the full estate.

Do not read further until instructed by your host.

Scripted Dialogue Round 2

Pinkie LaRue The evening *has* had some interesting moments so far.

Maynard G. Wayout That Detective Askew is a very interesting fellow, too...

Peggy Sousa Yeah, the Detective seems hopelessly devoted...to his job that is!

Maynard Wayout Unlike *some* people around here...

Poora Moore Maynard, I'd work a little harder around here if there were more tipping!

Peggy Sousa Isn't Tip-ping a place in China?

Pinkie LaRue If it is, I've never heard of it!

Maynard G. Wayout Did that inspector say that Dino was killed at the diner by one of us?

Poora Moore I'd say more like greased – this is a greasy spoon.

Cont.

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Arthur Bronzerelli The food here *is* very greasy. A person has to acquire a taste for it.

Pinkie LaRue Well, in my opinion whoever did in Dino must have had a good reason.

Buddy Folly That's right. But then, what reason would anyone have to murder Dino? Maybe we should do what the inspector says and find out.

Arthur Bronzerelli**Second Round****Questions you should ask:**

Poora was in charge of the diner this evening, while Dino was busy in his office. Ask Poora if she noticed anyone going into Dino's office before she delivered his last cup of coffee.

You have totally enjoyed the music that Buddy Folly has performed so far at the party this evening. However, you noticed when Buddy was warming up, his microphone wasn't working. Ask Buddy what was wrong with his microphone.

Information you should reveal about yourself only when asked.

Your Uncle Dino threatened you awhile back. You either had to get a job or you would be cut out of his will. In his ultimatum, he gave you six months to find employment. Thank goodness, you still have a couple more months to get your monthly allowance and find a job, before you are disinherited!

You are very proud of your matching leather jacket and belt. Actually, they were birthday gifts from your Uncle Dino. You especially love the belt, it is cut extra narrow, and just the way you like them to fit into your jeans' belt loops. Dino even commented on the belt earlier.

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Scripted Dialogue Round 3

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| Arthur Bronzerelli | I wonder why Dino's safe was open? |
| Poora Moore | He was probably counting all the money he's saved from not giving me a raise in years. |
| Buddy Folly | If I ever own a diner you can come and work for me, I'd give you a good raise Poora... |
| Poora Moore | Thanks, but no thanks...not in my lifetime. |
| Maynard G. Wayout | Buddy, I didn't know you were thinking about the restaurant business. |
| Pinkie LaRue | He could call it "The Do-Whop Diner"! (Giggles) |
| Peggy Sousa | I think "Buddy's Bar and Grill" has a ring to it. |
| Buddy Folly | I like the sound of that Peggy. |
| Arthur Bronzerelli | Ok, so now he has a name and a negative waitress for his diner; how about a cook? |

Cont.

Pinkie LaRue

I can cook, I have many specialities...

Arthur Bronzerelli

We're all well aware of your many specialities, Pinkie.

Maynard Wayout

I'd be uneasy if I didn't already know my speciality was poetry.

Poora Moore

Speaking of uneasy, I won't feel better until we know for sure who is responsible for Dino's murder. Can we please continue?

Arthur Bronzerelli

Third Round

Questions you should ask:

You think you saw Maynard go into the coat checkroom earlier. He a looked like he was either putting in or taking something out of his jacket pocket. Ask Maynard what he was doing.

Since Poora is so broke and has had access to an open safe with cash, had she ever thought of stealing money from Dino? Ask her.

Information you should reveal about yourself only when asked.

You have always known that your Uncle Dino kept all of his important papers, as well as metal tins and large sums of money in his office safe. You've never seen the actual will, though. You've only been able to peek into the safe while he was in the room.

When you were in Dino's office earlier this evening you did see your uncle and you had some words with him...some harsh words! You let him know that you were not happy about the ultimatum he had given you to get a job or be disinherited... this wasn't the first time and you thought it wouldn't be the last.

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Arthur Bronzerelli

Concluding Statement

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

Arthur Bronzerelli speaks first, using the following dialogue:

Even though I have had some major disagreements with my uncle, I would NEVER do him in. If it were up to me, he would be here right now and we would have an argument... that's how we do it in our family! I may seem to be a rebel, but I am no killer. Let the person who did this sleep with the fishes!

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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