



Murder Mystery Plan

- You will be the detective: write some notes to describe your character:



- Who is the murder victim? Describe them, and where they were found:

- List three or four people who are suspects in the case and explain why:

- List some of the places you will go to investigate, with details to make them interesting:

- Make a list of the clues you will find, and why they are important:

Now you are ready to start writing your story- good luck!

A writing starter frame

Start by setting the scene. For example:

It was a freezing night in January when my boss called me at home to come down to the station....

Give us some information about the victim.
For example:

The boss told me that the body of the victim had been found in an alley at the back of the local supermarket. It was a man/woman, about (25 to 30?) years old, and...

Are there any leads? Where do you go first?
For example, the morgue, the murder scene, or the place where the body was found?

I decided I'd better take a look at the body, so I jumped in the squad car and set off for....

In the victim's right hand was a small scrap of paper- a piece of a letter. It said...

When and how do you find the first clue?

What do you do as a result of this clue? Do you go to an address, or make a phone call? Who do you speak to? Write your conversation.

Explain what you do next, taking care to work in the clues you have planned, and the different suspects.

How are they connected to the murder victim?

What do they say to you or what do other people tell you about them?



- You are the detective:



The character looks like ...
The character lives in ...
The character works as ...
The character likes to ...

- The murder victim:

The victim is ...
They look like...
They were found in ...

- The suspects:

Suspect 1 is because

Suspect 2 is because

Suspect 3 is because

- Places you investigate:

Place 1 is I saw / heard / noticed It is interesting because ...

Place 2 is

Place 3 is

- The clues you find:

The clues I have found are:

1. It is important because
2. It is important because
3. It is important because
4. It is important because

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First – set the scene. For example:

It was a freezing night in January. My boss told me to come down to the police station...

Then tell us about the victim.
For example:

The victim had been found in an alley at the back of the supermarket. He was a man of about 25 to 30 years old, and...

Then – tell us what you do. For example, do you go to the place where the body was found?

I decided I'd better take a look at the body, so I jumped in the car and set off for...

Then – tell us how you find the first clue.

In the victim's right hand was a small scrap of paper – a piece of a letter. It said...

Then – what do you do next? Do you go somewhere? Talk to someone?

This is what I said ...

Then – tell us what you do next. Any more clues?

The suspects are because.....

The evidence I have is ...