

The Ellington Hotel



How to write a Mystery Book

A young detective, hotel managers, staff, guests and other weird people in this story where something mysterious is happening...

The Characters

Mark Brown *The Detective*

Ben Brown *The Manager*

Beatrice Brown *The Manager*

Patricia Pear *The Chef and Louie's owner*

Louie *Patricia's dog*

Ron Hallmark *The Caretaker*

Henry Foyer *The Baker*

Susan & Steven *A couple running the local Theatre*

George Hall *The Guest, and an art dealer*

Goeff & Koenig *The Painters*

PART 1

Chapter 1 (Introduction) **The Day Before the Grand Opening**

Setting: A little town with an old hotel.

- Introduce the town and the old hotel.
- Introduce the managers.
- Someone working in town (the baker) comes to the hotel.
- Introduce the detective working at the hotel.
- Someone from town (the baker), wants to talk to the chef.

Chapter 2 (Introduce the staff) **Staff Meeting**

Setting: In a room at the hotel.

- Present the managers.
- Introduce the caretaker.
- Introduce the chef and the pet.
- Present the detective.
- The managers tell everyone about the grand opening party and an important guest arriving tomorrow.

PART 2

Chapter 3 (making suspects) **Short on Money**

Setting: Somewhere at the hotel.

- It is time for the grand opening.
- The detective hears a conversation between the managers. They need money...
- A man and a woman from the local theatre arrives. Introduce them.
- The detective hears the chef talking to someone on the phone about an expensive surgery for the pet.

Chapter 4 (Introduce the guest) **The Guest**

Setting: At the reception.

- The detective sees a guest arriving.
- Introduce the guest that brings something very expensive.
- The caretaker shows the detective an article in the newspaper about a missing painting.
- Someone working in town (the baker) arrives again and wants to talk to the chef.
- The same person talks to the detective on the way back. The person talks about extending the business. But it is expensive.

Chapter 5 (The break) **The Grand Opening**

Setting: The hotel restaurant.

- It's the grand opening party and everyone is in the hotel restaurant.
- The managers talk to the guests.
- The detective is working in reception.
- The people from the theatre are the last to leave. Before they leave they hear someone screaming upstairs.

Chapter 6 (Something is missing) **The Missing Painting**

Setting: At the second floor.

- The guest is screaming. The expensive thing is gone.
- The chef and the person from town (the baker) walks out of the room next door.
- The managers walk down from the third floor.
- The guest is screaming loud.
- The detective sees a light outside.
- Everyone search the hotel. But the expensive thing is still missing.
- They all go to bed.
- The detective has trouble sleeping. Questions are unanswered.

Chapter 7 **A Rolled-Up Painting**

(Something is found)

Setting: At the reception.

- The guest is in the reception talking to the manager.
- A police officer is standing next to them.
- The guest wants the manager to pay for his room – and the missing thing.
- The pet walks into the room and scratches the guests bag.
- The missing thing falls out.
- The police officer takes a closer look and reveals the truth.
- The quest gets arrested.

Chapter 8 **Truth Revealed**

(Answering questions)

Setting: At the hotel restaurant.

- All the staff members are having breakfast at the restaurant.
- All questions are being answered.
- The managers are very thankful.
- The person from town arrives to pick up some stuff.
- Life at the hotel is back to normal. Another event is coming up!

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