

MURDER ON THE DISORIENTATED EXPRESS



Drew
Rorschachblots

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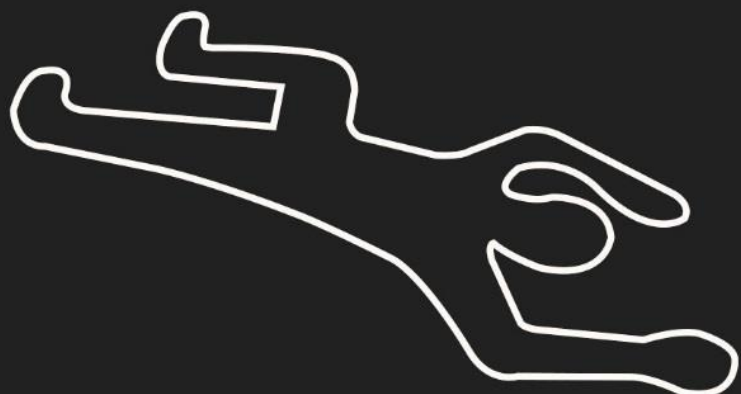
This booklet contains all the information you need to help you act your part throughout the murder mystery; background history, scripted dialogues, questions you should ask and scripted answers to questions you will be asked by the other guests.

You are encouraged to make the most of your part. Feel free to make up new lines and add to your back story or statements if you wish. However, make sure you always provide the information you need to within your answers. We have pre-scripted your statements to make things as simple for you as possible.

Make sure you listen to everyone else's questions and answers.

You won't be told if you're the killer – so feel free to guess yourself at the end – but don't tell anyone else you are! You must protest your innocence until the end!

Lastly: *Have fun!*



Drew Rorschachblots

Background Character Information

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

You are Austrian and a doctor of psychiatry. Your educated but heavily accented voice is calming but monotonous and you have a tendency to put people to sleep! You are very good at analysing people, even if they don't want you to. You are fixated on the id and ego, parent/child relationships and dreams and can always relate anyone's difficulties back to sex or their childhood in one way or another. Try and analyse your fellow guests this evening. Be as rude / intrusive as you dare!

Drew Rorschachblots - Introductions

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

Drew Rorschachblots speaks first using the following dialogue:

Well I suppose I had better introduce myself first. My name is Dr. Drew Rorschachblots. I am probably the most famous psychiatrist in all Austria. With a crime such as this you need someone with insight into the mind of a murderer and if you ask me, it will be a very dark place indeed. I suspect they will give themselves away in due course. Their id and ego are no doubt battling away within their psyche.

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

Scripted Dialogue - Round 1

- Drew Rorschachblots** Well, I must say this is all rather exciting. The brochure said a ride on the Disorientated Express was the experience of a lifetime and they weren't wrong!
- Kiki De'Leggs** I'm not sure they were thinking of a murder when they said that.
- Heidi Evidence** I agree. After all, the saying goes, "You never know who you'll meet on board the Disorientated Express," not, "You never know who is going to be murdered on board the Disorientated Express."
- Ivan Ego** Quite. Still, it adds a bit of variety to what would otherwise be a very boring journey.
- Andy Wheppon** Nothing is boring on a train! I love trains!
- Drew Rorschachblots** The human mind is an interesting thing.
- Kiki De'Leggs** And I suppose on a journey such as this one, you get the chance to meet many varied individuals.
- Ivan Ego** In the right circles.
- Andy Wheppon** Well I must say this is my first time taking part in a murder enquiry. I have no idea where to start.
- Kiki De'Leggs** Nor me.
- Heidi Evidence** If you ask me, you should start at the very beginning. It's a very good place to start.

- Andy Wheppon** Well, we've already introduced ourselves, so I suppose the next step is to start asking each other questions about what we've seen, isn't it?
- Herr Cutt** Or what we've heard.
- Drew Rorschachblots** Perhaps even our dreams might shed a little light on matters.
- Heidi Evidence** I always dream of an alpine cottage surrounded by goats. Could that have any bearing on the case?
- Herr Cutt** Not unless Werner Von Black was a closet yodeller.
- Ivan Ego** Look, if it's all right with everyone, I'd rather we just stuck to facts.
- Drew Rorschachblots** Let's forget dreaming, or daydreaming for that matter. Let's just get on with finding out who killed him?

Drew Rorschachblots - First Round

Questions you should ask:

Mademoiselle Kiki De'Leggs, did you know Werner Von Black?

Herr Cutt, did you know Werner Von Black?

Answers you should give when asked the right questions.

When asked: Drew Rorschachblots, why are you travelling on the train? Does it have anything to do with one of your patients?

Say: Ya, ya. Obviously, I cannot tell you the patient's name as it breaches patient confidentiality, but that is why I am on the train. This man, let us call him Mr Smith, he lives in Constantinople. He is suffering from delusions of adequacy. It is important that I get to him to correct his thinking before he becomes entrenched in these ideas. I have hopes that the train will not be too late and I will still be able to make the appointment.

When asked: Drew Rorschachblots, do you only treat the rich and famous?

Say: Not at all. Many of my clients are not famous, but it is true that many of my clients are quite wealthy. My services do not come cheap. Interestingly there is some correlation between wealth and the need for psychological support. It would seem that the wealthier someone is, the more trouble they have with their id and their ego. Sometimes all they crave is to lie on the couch and have someone to talk to. I am very good at listening.

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Scripted Dialogue - Round 2

- Herr Cutt** The murder weapon was stockings? Then that surely means the killer is female?
- Ivan Ego** But surely a murder such as this is not the sort of thing a lady would do?
- Heidi Evidence** Not the sort of thing a lady would do? Obviously you don't get out a lot!
- Drew Rorschachblots** I agree. In my closed sessions with the teenage elite, I've heard a lot of things that I never would have thought possible, especially from girls. They have such vivid imaginations.
- Herr Cutt** Well, if it was a relationship that led to this mess, then it's clear not all his relationships were happy ones.
- Heidi Evidence** Perhaps, but then again, maybe the murderer was simply picking up something readily to hand.
- Kiki De'Leggs** Surely you aren't inferring Werner Von Black wore stockings?
- Drew Rorschachblots** I'm sure she isn't. But he might have bought a pair for a friend or a sister. A lot of men bring presents home when they return.
- Andy Wheppon** Or perhaps they were used as a message?
- Kiki De'Leggs** And what message would that be? Give me what I want or I'll kill you?
- Herr Cutt** She could have a point.

- Ivan Ego** Perhaps it was a jealous lover.
- Kiki De'Leggs** Yes, I can see why you men would be keen on that idea. It rather absolves you of guilt or suspicion if we all assume it was a woman because of the hosiery around his neck.
- Drew Rorschachblots** Oh, I don't know. I've seen a few ballets while I've been travelling. The men in them wear tights.
- Herr Cutt** That's true, but the guard said it was stockings, remember?
- Heidi Evidence** I can't really see a male ballet dancer in those.
- Ivan Ego** No. That would bring quite a new dimension to the stage.
- Herr Cutt** Besides which, Werner Von Black was a rocket designer, not a ballet dancer.
- Drew Rorschachblots** You're right. Perhaps we ought to concentrate on just asking questions for now. See if we can uncover a motive instead.

Drew Rorschachblots - Second Round

Questions you should ask:

Mademoiselle Kiki, was Werner Von Black interested in you romantically?

Herr Cutt, did you visit Werner Von Black's compartment earlier today?

Answers you should give when asked the right questions.

When asked: Drew Rorschachblots, what sort of treatments do you offer your patients? Is it just listening?

Say: I am qualified in many forms of psychological care. I am able to prescribe medication, conduct psychotherapy, counsel and hypnotise people.

When asked: Drew Rorschachblots, were you treating Werner Von Black?

Say: Ya. As patient confidentiality is no longer an issue in this case, I can tell you that I was treating Werner Von Black. The poor man suffered terribly with feelings of guilt related to his rocket designs. He was concerned that they may be used to kill untold thousands of individuals. He needed someone to talk to, to confide in, and some way to assuage feelings of paralysing guilt.

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Scripted Dialogue - Round 3

Drew Rorschachblots	Well, if you ask me this case all boils down to sex. The fairer kind.
Ivan Ego	I agree. He obviously had a few close lady friends, possibly one too many, and one of them decided to put a stop to him.
Herr Cutt	Quite right. It is clearly a woman we are looking for.
Heidi Evidence	You would say that. You are a man. Hunter-gatherer mentality. Kill or be killed.
Drew Rorschachblots	You can't tar all ladies with the same brush you know.
Kiki De'Leggs	Exactly! We women are actually very different inside, which you men would find out if you chose to get to know us properly rather than just making us another conquest.
Andy Wheppon	We can't go around making any assumptions. There are the plans to consider. They are missing, remember?
Ivan Ego	You're right, Andy. The plans must be the key to all this, surely?
Herr Cutt	Unless the two matters are entirely unrelated.
Drew Rorschachblots	You think we have a murderer and an opportunist thief?

Herr Cutt

Could be.

Kiki De'Leggs

There's no such thing as a coincidence in my line of work. If you ask me the two matters are combined.

Heidi Evidence

I agree, although that does open up the possibilities somewhat as there are a lot of people on this train who openly admit to wanting those plans.

Herr Cutt

I'm sure they could be rolled up and hidden up a trouser leg or under a skirt.

Heidi Evidence

I hope you aren't suggesting we allow the men to inspect up our skirts? No thank you! We don't need to give them any encouragement as far as that is concerned!

Drew Rorschachblots

Perhaps if the case remains unsolved by the time we reach Constantinople, the authorities can begin a search of the train.

Ivan Ego

And then the people.

Kiki De'Leggs

Well I don't mind anyone checking under my skirts!

Drew Rorschachblots - Third Round

Questions you should ask:

Mademoiselle Kiki, did you give Werner Von Black a private performance this afternoon?

Comrade Ivan Ego, why were you shouting at Werner Von Black in the buffet car this afternoon?

Answers you should give when asked the right questions.

When asked: Drew Rorschachblots, how was Werner Von Black able to afford your sessions? I happen to know he was not a wealthy man.

Say: You are correct. Werner Von Black was not able to pay my rates himself. My fees were paid directly by the German military. The money arrived before each session by way of Herr Cutt. He is not the barber you all take him for. I know he works in military intelligence.

When asked: Drew Rorschachblots, did you treat Werner Von Black with hypnosis?

Say: Ya. This was one of my many methods of treatment. He needed to see the rockets in a less threatening and more intellectual capacity. An achievement of science rather than a military project. And while I was tinkering with his mind, I also added the additional safeguards the military wanted, to prevent him passing his rocket designs onto another country and betraying the party. This was a simple matter and was the reason the military were paying for his treatment, although he himself did not know this.

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Drew Rorschachblots - Concluding Statement

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

Drew Rorschachblotsspeaks after Herr Cutt using the following dialogue:

I suppose not. This is a typical case of transference, however. They are angry at themselves for not foreseeing this eventuality. It is only natural that they would want to place the blame on somebody else. The fact that I am innocent in this particular mystery will not matter. As I said, my hypnotic conditioning was supposed to make it impossible for him to hand over the plans. Clearly whoever has the plans now could not persuade him to part with them willingly. This means my treatment was effective.

After you have heard from all the guests make a prediction as to who the murderer is and why.

Tell the others.

Notes

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