

# The Pretender Quick Start Guide

So you've looked at everything in the box and have no idea how to start, where to begin, or even what a good first step might be. Maybe this is your first box and you aren't sure how things work. Or maybe things just aren't clicking for you on this particular box. Maybe a few starting hints will blow the case wide open and will be all you need to help solve the mystery.

Beginning the investigation:

(Objective #1)

1. The first thing you are told to do in The Pretender's text message (on the back of the Beginning Brief) is to watch a movie. You have a video tape (Play Me) that has been left for you. Scan the QR code to play the video.
2. You should notice in each segment of the video that a particular color is featured in what you see.
3. You also have 4 different colored notes (blue, white, red, yellow) by The Pretender.
4. Use the video to obtain the correct order of the notes (by color).
5. There are letters underlined in each of the notes.
6. Now that you have the correct order of the colors (gained from the video) you can read the letters in the order they appear. Example: The color orders from the video are yellow, red, blue, and white so the letters would be I (taken from yellow), W (taken from red), O (taken from blue), U (taken from white), L (taken from yellow because you continue to repeat), and D (taken from red) which gives you the words I WOULD.
7. Continue this process until you run out of underlined letters on each of the notes.
8. Read the message that results and use that to eliminate your first suspect.

If you need more help past this point, consult the puzzle hint files or join us in the Hint Group on Facebook!