

The Jester Hint File

*One Puzzle Per Page

Note: The puzzles you solve are used to eliminate suspects from the King's Court Technologies handbook *Some suspects may be eliminated more than once.

Snakes and Ladders

1. A crumpled up note was found at the feet of the victims. Smooth out the note and read what is on the back of the office memo.
2. The note mentions climbing the corporate ladder.
3. Start at the bottom of the snakes and ladders puzzle and work your way upward, using the order of the colors mentioned in the note (red, green, blue).
4. Read all letters in red first from bottom to top.
5. Read all letters in green second from bottom to top.
6. Read all letters in blue from bottom to top.
7. Use and interpret what you decode to eliminate a group of people based on their +1 status.
8. Depending on what order you have solved the puzzles this will eliminate up to 15 suspects.

The Fool

1. This card has several scrambled words at the bottom.
2. Unscramble them.
3. Put the words in an order that makes sense.
4. Notice there is a chess board on the card.
5. Match the message with the larger chess board
6. Notice that all of the people are said to be part of the king's court i.e. royalty.
7. Depending on what order you have solved the puzzles this will eliminate up to 8 suspects.

Jester Cap/Numbers and Letters

1. This document is filled with rows of numbers and letters and has a jester's cap in the background.
2. The back contains a message that says: "The things I would do for the king are without number."
3. Remove all numbers from the columns and use only the letters.
4. If you have trouble telling the Os and zeros apart then then treat them like Os and remove them at the end if the don't make sense
5. The message will start with "I always ..."
6. Depending on what order you have solved the puzzles this will eliminate up to 16 suspects.

Waiter Interview

1. In one of the interviews, someone mentions that the waiter speaks in pig latin when drunk.
2. The interview is transcribed exactly as the waiter spoke it (in pig latin).
3. The rules used by Pig Latin are as follows:

If a word begins with a vowel, just as "yay" to the end. For example, "out" is translated into "outyay".

If it begins with a consonant, then we take all consonants before the first vowel and we put them on the end of the word. For example, "which" is translated into "ichwhay".

4. Use the rules to understand what the waiter is saying.
5. You should be able to eliminate a suspect with this info.

Opening the Elevator

1. In his interview, the waiter tells you that the elevator code is on his badge.
2. The last sentence of the interview tells you the two numbers on the badge that are significant.
3. Use the numbers that are between the numbers the waiter mentions to unlock the elevator.

Unlocking the Safe

1. The safe has a rotary dial and a key lock which means you are looking for 3 numbers and a key to open it.
2. When you unlock the elevator you find a key. The key has three rules written on the key tag.
3. You are asked for the year of the company's founding. Search Simon Bank's Facebook page for the answer to this.
4. Use the year you find to answer the other two questions.
5. Find the numbers using the directions on the key tag first.
6. The Jester photocopy contains one final adjustment to the numbers you have obtained. Make sure you have got the numbers using the key tag first before you apply the adjustments.
7. Use all three numbers together to unlock the safe.

Unlocking the Phone

1. Read the interview of the woman who covers her face to hide her identity.
2. She gives you the method to unlock her phone in her interview.
3. Find the word in the King's Court Technology Handbook that she refers to and use it to unlock the phone.
4. The cover does not count as page 1.
5. The info you find will help you to eliminate a suspect.

Using the Keypad that Unlocks the Storage Room

1. Examine the janitor's cart and read his note.
2. Fill in the blanks using the names of King's Court executives.
3. Take the letters that are circled and use them on the keypad.
4. Make sure to convert each letter to its proper number using the keypad for reference.
5. What you find will help you eliminate up to two suspects.

Places to Take Note of When Eliminating Suspects:

1. Snakes and ladders solution
2. The chessboard puzzle
3. Numbers and letters/jester's hat solution
4. Unlocked phone contents
5. The waiter's interview
6. Those who aren't on the guest list at all
7. What you find in the storage room

Shredded Document

1. Treat this as a literal puzzle and arrange the strips in a way that recreates the original document.
2. Refer back to the file folder you found when you unlocked the safe.
3. The subject line of the shredded document tells you to take lines 2 and 4 of the key together and then flip end to end.
4. So instead of M being under the A, M is now under the Z.
5. They are using the Company Code but they have reversed it so it is backwards.
6. Once you have done that, use it to translate the alphabet and decode the message on the shredded document.
7. The first part of Laine's message reads "I have a ..."
8. Pay special attention to what you've learned. Part of the final solution is found [here](#).
9. ****Note-if you want to see the completed image without any shredding scroll down to the next page of this document.

Secure Internetwork Communication Portal

Sender - Laine.Bryant

Recipients - Adam.Preston, Matt.Clingan

Subject - String lines 2 and 4 of key together. Then flip end to end

Laine.Bryant: Q R Z I V Z Y G O V A. Y V E P Z
12/26/19 F Q E U A Z E K J Q E Q T L Z J K
14:25 Q E S Q E H D H R V Y Z E K. W D
O D G U D J J D L?

Adam.Preston: L Q H R D G H B G V T H Q D E.
12/26/19
14:56

Matt.Clingan: Z Y T D J G H V J O.
12/26/19
15:01

Laine.Bryant: S A V Z H. Z A H V F Q T
12/26/19 Z H Y I Q Q T A V Z W O
15:23 H D C Z O G C.

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15:24

Final Solution

1. The shredded document gives you part of the solution once you've decoded the message it contained originally. Determining who The Jester is gives you the other part of the solution.
2. Use both pieces of information to unlock the box solution.