

Ransom Hint File

*One puzzle per page.

Email

1. Find the King's Court Technologies business card.
2. Read the front and back of the card.
3. Look at the blank email card address to King's Court Technologies. Notice that the subject line is blank.
3. What did the business card say you should put in the subject line?

DNA test

1. Look at the card labeled “For use by officials...”
2. Notice the equals signs for each row and column.
3. The numbers indicate the sum of each row and column.
4. One method to solve this puzzle is to choose a value for a symbol and test to see if it will work out.
5. Example: if the dollar symbol was worth 1, then the tied hands would be worth 19, based on what is in the first column. But then the sum of the last row would be 38+, which will not work since the sum of the row is 32. So you know that the dollar symbol cannot equal 1.
6. Hint: dollar symbol equals five.
7. This will let you eliminate a suspect.

Message in the Email from King's Court Technologies

1. You will need to have the email unlocked to complete this puzzle.
2. Use the keyboard symbols to decipher the message at the bottom of the email.
3. Look at the Whispering Willows Properties map
4. This will let you eliminate a suspect.

Tow Truck Invoice

1. The hint to the puzzle is at the bottom of the page. It mentions reverse and 3rd.
2. Count back three letters in the alphabet from each letter shown.
3. So A=X, B=Y, C=Z, D=A...
4. The start of the message is "Mrs. ..."
5. This will let you eliminate a suspect.

Poker Sheet with Card Symbols

1. You will see a card with 4 poker chips featuring the four suits found in a deck of cards (heart, clubs, diamonds, spades). These correspond to the columns on the poker puzzle. Each suit has a specific set of directions that will tell you how many letters to move forward or backwards from the one listed on the sheet.
2. Writing out the alphabet will help with this.
3. The first column should translate as "I got"
4. This will let you eliminate a suspect.

Poker Sheet with Word Search

1. Find the seven words listed and circle them.
2. Take the letters that remain and write them out left to right, beginning with the top row.
3. The message starts with "Suzanne I got..."
4. This will let you eliminate a suspect if you look at the time of the poker game.

Dream Catcher/Design Plans

1. The dream catcher was found in Cal Millington office. What other items are tied to Cal Millington?
2. Warren Bank head mentions that Cal is building a shopping center.
3. Notice that there are letters on the design plans for the shopping center.
4. Take each letter on the design plans for the shopping center and find it on the upper part of the dreamcatcher. Look below at the corresponding part of the dreamcatcher below to find the letter that is in the same position on the circle.
5. The message will let you eliminate a suspect

Gala Seating chart/Invitation

1. The seating chart and the gala invitation go together.
2. Pair each letter on the back of the gala invitation with the number below it.
3. Do this island match it to the seating chart. Example. E 4 is the first pairing on the first line.
4. Find the letter that can be found at the E4 coordinate on the seating chart. Repeat for every letter/number combination on the back of the gala invitation.
5. The message should start with "I got to..."
6. This will let you eliminate a suspect.

Simon Banks' Lottery Ticket

1. Unscramble each of the words
2. Each word relates to event planning
3. Take each circled letter and write them in order.
4. This will let you eliminate a suspect.

Flash Drive from the FBI

1. Pair up the sticky note found with the flash drive with the note card on the FBI half sheet.
2. Start at the top on each column and follow the directions
3. So the first set of arrows start at A, and the second set start at G, and so on.
4. You should get 4 letters when finished.
5. The first letter you get should be T.

Suspect Eliminated by a Read Clue

1. Look carefully at the Gala Checklist.
2. There is a note at the bottom of the page. Who is the note from?
3. This will eliminate a person.

Final Solution

You will need to have eliminated all suspects and unlock the FBI flash drive.