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INSTRUCTIONS

WELCOME TO THE DEADBOLT MYSTERY SOCIETY!

We are so glad you decided to join the society and we are happy to have you as a part of our DMS family. Here are a few pointers before you begin:

Grab some scratch paper and a pen. You will need these items to take notes and solve puzzles in your investigation.

Follow your instincts. The majority of each mystery is contained within the contents of the mystery. However, there are external components that appear at times that might warrant investigation (ex. Websites). As a Deadbolt Detective, you must follow all leads.

Many of our mysteries employ the use of QR codes. The easiest way to access the QR codes is with a mobile phone. Many of the latest models of smartphones simply require you to open your camera application and point at the code. If your phone doesn't support this feature, free QR code readers are easily obtained through Google Play Store and through the App Store.

QR codes and files might be password protected. To gain access to these files, investigators need to solve puzzles or complete other components within the mystery to reveal the password. When putting in passwords, make sure that you don't use caps or spaces.

Read everything by starting with the Beginning Brief. Our mysteries are equal parts storytelling, puzzle solving, and good ol' fashioned detective work. You never know when a detail, no matter how small, might be important.

Solve all the puzzles. This may seem like an obvious tip, but far too often we see that players try to finish our mysteries without completing all the puzzles. The puzzles give crucial information for the case. In almost every instance, you will need the information that the solution reveals.

Screenshot the information when you access a QR code. When you scan a QR code and get access to new information, screenshot the information. If you are working with a group, send the screenshot to each member in your group or have them scan the QR code and access the information for their knowledge. Many times, we see that investigators don't pick up on all needed information and end up being stumped. Pay attention to images, different colored words, and bolded, italicized, or underlined words.

Just because you have access to information doesn't mean it can be used now. You may see that you have documents from the very beginning that don't end up being used until near the end of your investigation.

Look for things in the mystery that could feasibly connect to each other. See a strange symbol on more than one document in your mystery? Maybe they are used to suggest that those items fit together in some way. Our puzzles and the crucial pieces of information needed to solve them often fall into this category. So, keep your eyes peeled!

There is no time limit on solving the mystery and this is not a competition. This is your mystery so solve it at your pace.

Don't be afraid to use the hint files. If you're stumped on a particular puzzle, peek at the hint files to get pointed in the right direction. There are also solution files available to verify your answers. Both hint and solution files were included as separate files to be downloaded along with your mystery. Your download should include (3) separate files.

If you are new to solving our mysteries, this may be a challenge for you. If a puzzle is difficult, take a step back and try and look at the puzzle a different way.

The most important thing to remember when solving a mystery is to have fun. We are an entertainment company, and this is a game. Remember that.

Please connect with us on our social media platforms and be sure to visit our YouTube channel and subscribe to the channel for free content, mystery solving tips, tricks, and more.
www.youtube.com/@deadboltmysterysociety

If you need any assistance, feel free to contact us at support@deadboltmysterysociety.com

BEGINNING BRIEF

As a female detective, your love life lately has been pretty...well...lifeless. You've tried dating websites, apps, and meeting people organically, but nothing has really worked for you. Apparently your brother, Jensen, agrees because he had the bright idea to sign you up for the speed dating event "30 & Single" on February 4th. The perfect month, right? Though hesitant at first, you ultimately decided to give it a go, thinking something might come out of it. You went to the coffee shop, grabbed yourself a cup of joe along with your name badge, and went through the speed dating process as quickly as you could, taking notes on each man along the way. Incidentally, your favorite question was the one asking for a cute pick up line. Yet, it quickly became clear when meeting everyone that many of the men were alarmed by your job.

The conversation would start with them asking what you do for a living. You would respond with,"Oh, I'm a detective." From there, the expressions ranged from wide-eyed amazement to complete shock to utter disinterest. To no one's surprise, you weren't matched with anyone-just another failed romantic experiment. You move on like always, thinking that maybe it was a blessing in disguise that you didn't meet anyone.

Ten Days Later

You wake up on Valentine's Day to a rather bleak idea of what the day willl hold. You plan to feed the cat, grab a cup of coffee, and then bury yourself in bed while you watch your favorite comfort show. You open the door to start the day only to see a valentine waiting on your doorstep. Perplexed you open the heart-shaped box to see a note from "Yours Truly" on top of a stack of valentine cards. A note reads:

"Happy Valentine's Day, Detective. I know that you must be surprised to have this on your doorstep, but I thought you might appreciate a mystery this Valentine's Day. I was at the speed dating event. I didn't choose anyone, but I regret not choosing you as a match. If you want to know who I am, just solve the valentines. - Yours Truly"

Staring hard at the valentine, you silently debate your options. Comfort show with your cat, or a hunt for a Valentine who may end up being just another fluke. The first sounds more your speed, but how often do you get to solve a Valentine's Day mystery? You head inside and get ready to solve. First, you must review your notes on the Valentine speed daters. Then, get to solving the Valentines!

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: Morgan Williams
FAVORITE COLOR: Blue
JOB: Bartender
INTERESTS: Outdoors, Climbing, Movies
ZODIAC SIGN: Virgo ♍

Do you play soccer? Because you're a keeper.

☐ YES ☐ NO

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: Jeremy Clayton
FAVORITE COLOR: Blue
JOB: Radiologist
INTERESTS: Dogs, Dancing
ZODIAC SIGN: Aries ♈

If you were a fruit you'd be a fine-apple

☐ YES ☐ NO

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: Landon Holmes
FAVORITE COLOR: Yellow
JOB: Fashion Designer
INTERESTS: Hanging with friends, Movies
ZODIAC SIGN: Libra ♎

Your hand looks heavy, can I hold it for you?

☐ YES ☐ NO

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: John Samuels
FAVORITE COLOR: Green
JOB: Office Manager
INTERESTS: Golf, Outdoors, Cats
ZODIAC SIGN: Taurus ♉

Are you a loan? Because you've got my interest!

☐ YES ☐ NO

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: Evan Hayes
FAVORITE COLOR: Red
JOB: Software Engineer
INTERESTS: Family, TV, Cooking, Reading
ZODIAC SIGN: Aquarius ♒

Your eyes are like IKEA. I'm totally lost in them.

☑ YES ☐ NO

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: James Tyler
FAVORITE COLOR: Purple
JOB: Marketing Manager
INTERESTS: Hanging with friends, Disc Golf
ZODIAC SIGN: Leo ♌

Well here I am. What's your other 2 wishes?

☐ YES ☐ NO

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: Dennis Gerald
FAVORITE COLOR: Yellow
JOB: Physical Therapist
INTERESTS: Working out, Outdoors, Games
ZODIAC SIGN: Sagittarius ♐

Do you have a name or can I just call you mine?

☐ YES ☐ NO

30 & SINGLE SPEED DATING

NAME: Zach Adler
FAVORITE COLOR: Red
JOB: Electrician
INTERESTS: Hanging with friends, Basketball, Animals, Clubs,
ZODIAC SIGN: Pisces ♓

I can light up your house and your day.

☐ YES ☐ NO

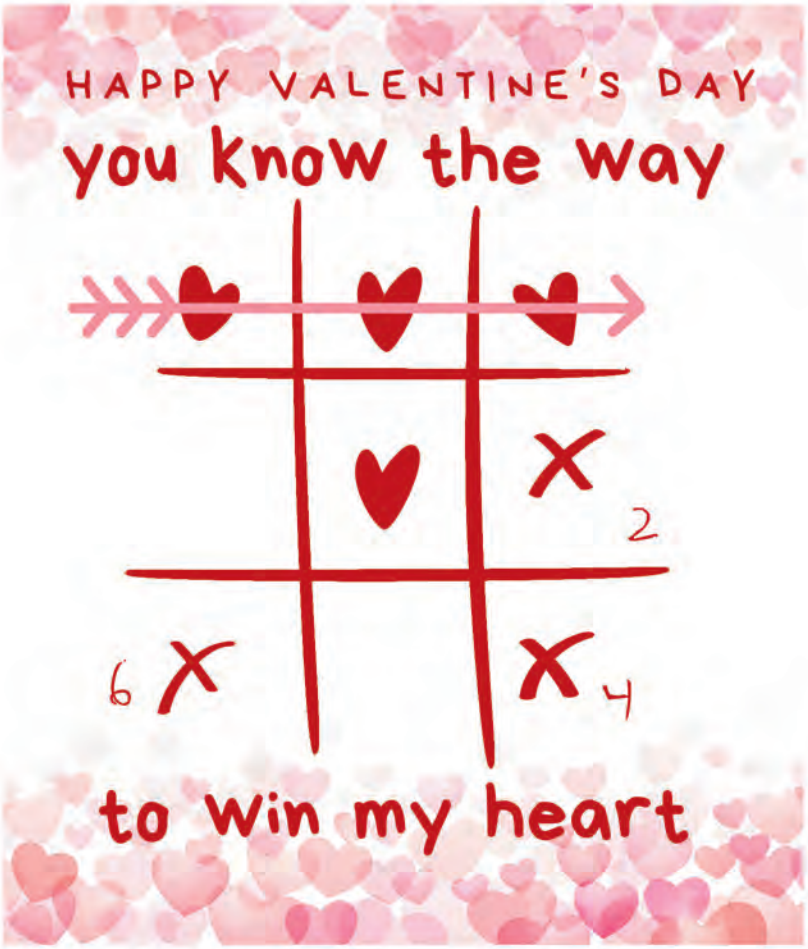
HOPING YOU HAVE A

SUPER CHEESY

VALENTINE'S DAY

Think about the day We met.

NTY MJETY PRGFWHUAQIXVPONODEJ
RFCZIAOTTPLVEEIHCLOXO
DBLLERFOWMPRKACIDKGSLOBPIOS
RBNEIRWPMCTUACTURHFSY



How did hearts move to win?
Their moves together are the order.

A	O	E
T	I	H
M	G	V

T	A	A
E	R	E
N	S	H

U	O	L
I	C	O
E	D	P

N	E	E
J	F	I
R	U	T

S	O	O
O	S	T
X	L	X

YOU'RE ALL THAT & DIM SUM

Since you like pick-up lines...

X'kt vdi etgutri kxhxdc pc
xi'h vdrjhts tcixgtan dc ndj.

IT'S A sign OF TRUE LOVE

If you're looking for a sign, it's not this one.

Start at Taurus then go clockwise 6.
Go counterclockwise 3 then go clockwise 8.
Go clockwise 4 then go counterclockwise 2.
Go Counterclockwise 11 then clockwise 1.
Finally, go clockwise 9 then counterclockwise 14.

I AIM TO
MAKE
YOU MY
VALENTINE

20
1
18
4
13
6
10
15
2
17
3
19
7
16
8
11
14
9
12
5
Easy as 1 2 3.

WHO IS YOURS TRULY?
(no caps, no spaces)