## Murder Mystery Party Guide for Guests and Grownups

Yes, this really is a Murder Mystery Party! Normally, this kind of party is for grownups, but we think it will be much more fun with the imagination of children.

Think of the party as a story or stage play, except that no-one knows exactly what is going to happen. You are both an actor and part of the audience.

You are being invited to act out a role – please try and stay in character at all times. Think about the kind of person you are pretending to be. Act how he or she would act under the circumstances. Remember that the situation will change rapidly!

Don't worry – there will be adults playing various establishment roles – servants, lawyers, policemen, and so on. The organisers will be able to help, guide and advise you.

You will be asked to introduce your character. The organisers will supply a short script for each quest to read – or **you could write your own!** 

There will be clues to locate, questions to ask and answer, and secrets to discover. Your character will have a secret – as will all of the guests at the party. We will tell you about your secret when you arrive. Remember that other quests will be trying to find out your secret – don't tell anyone, unless of course an organiser asks you to.

Remember that your character is visiting a grand country house. Please dress up as your character. Feel free to interpret and embellish the brief description included in your invitation.

Please come and have fun with us. We look forward to seeing you very soon.

**Grownups**: feel free to come along and assume a character. Let us know if you feel the urge to indulge your thespian tendencies!