

Deadbolt Mini Mysteries #1: Return to The Hideaway Motel (Hint File)

*Each page will contain hints for one puzzle. All solutions will be at the end of the file.

Interview with The Magpie puzzle:

1. Use The Magpie's poem as a set of directions to be used with the map.
2. Find the destination on the map and then locate the word on the back that corresponds with that particular place at The Hideaway.
3. Once you have done this, you will have the first part of the password.

Birds on a Wire:

1. You have two documents that each feature a bird in flight at the top. These are connected.
2. There are 24 birds perched on wires. There are 24 words on the corresponding document.
3. Find the words that correspond with the circled birds and answer the question it asks.
4. This is the second part of the password.

Number Grid Puzzle

1. Add each row and column and see what they equal.
2. Each one should give you the same number
3. Figure out what number you would need to put in the box with the question mark to make the row and column equal that number.
4. You have the third part of the password and are ready to go online and enter it.

Clock Puzzle:

1. Locate where the hour and minute hands would be located at the times listed and record the letters.
2. Three times are listed on the document with the clock. The other times are listed in The Magpie's file.
3. See what the six times spell and rule out that guest of The Hideaway.

Encoded message:

1. The Magpie's password protected file gives you a replacement alphabet to use. Match this up with the traditional alphabet.
2. Replace each letter in the code with its decoded counterpart.
3. Use your answer to eliminate the necessary guests from The Hideaway guest list.

QR Code file:

1. At this point you have enough to narrow down which of the motel guests is actually Vito the Smile. Scan the QR code and use the guest's full name (no caps, no spaces) to unlock the file.

Solutions:

*Warning-answers are found below

Interview with The Magpie: black

Birds on a wire: wings

Number Grid: 8

Clock Puzzle: Not The Hunter

Encoded Message: No beards, not a woman

What is a numismatist? Coin collector

Who is Vito the Smile? John Elliott