# The Deadly Library

It is 1887, and everyone in London knows of the eccentric Martin Alexandria and his magnificent library, a vast trove of fiction, history, and rare legal archives. Built from auctions, estate sales, discarded records, and quiet gifts from clerks and friends, it holds secrets ranging from public trials to incriminating evidence—knowledge that earns Martin respect.

Tonight, Martin is making an announcement, the subject of which is a great mystery. The library is both a public treasure and a private inheritance, and so friends, colleagues, acquaintances, and other interested parties gather in the great library to hear what Martin has to say...

Welcome to ***The Deadly Library!***

***Shhh! Quiet please!***

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## What do you get with The Deadly Library?

- A step-by-step guide on how to run the game.
- Character booklets for each guest, including background, goals and objectives, rules, and special abilities.
- Item cards for each guest.
- Handouts, nametags, and other essential items.

## How many people are needed?

***The Deadly Library*** is for 9 to 11 guests—plus one host (the game coordinator). The step-by-step guide explains which characters to omit if you have fewer than 11 guests (you need at least 9, however).

| Number of guests | Male characters | Female characters | Characters anyone can play |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| 10 | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| 11 | 4 | 4 | 3 |

And if you have even more guests, we include extra characters for ***The Deadly Library***.

## How does *The Deadly Library* work?

***The Deadly Library*** runs for three or four hours and suits a buffet meal. The host acts as organizer, responsible for making sure everything runs smoothly. The host does not count toward the maximum or minimum number of players.

All the guests are present at Martin Alexandria's private library. They each have their own goals, and how they achieve these goals is up to them. ***The Deadly Library*** is an evening of intrigue and secrets!

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## What age is *The Deadly Library* suitable for?

We suggest ***The Deadly Library*** is suitable for ages 15+ as it contains adult themes (affairs and drug references).

## Where can I purchase *The Deadly Library*?

***The Deadly Library*** is available from freeformgames.com. We accept all major payment methods.

When you buy the game, you'll be taken to a page where you can download it immediately.

We will also email you a download link and password, so you can collect your game later if that's more convenient.

## What if I don't like *The Deadly Library*?

We offer a cast-iron, no-quibble guarantee. If you're not completely satisfied with ***The Deadly Library,*** let us know within 30 days and we will refund you.

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"Freeform Games will definitely be my first stop when I decide to host my next murder mystery game :) keep doing great work!" **Vlad Dogaru, Romania**

"As I've always said you guys are great!!!! You think of everything! You've found a loyal customer in me!!" **Doris Arnett-Gary, USA**

"You make really great games. My friends and me are fond of mystery murder games and tried quite a number of them, and yours are the most interesting and elaborate ones :)" **Lyubov Sharonova, Russia**

"Love you guys. Love your games. I always had them for my teenaged daughter and her friends and they were a big hit. I was often impressed with how far young minds took their characters." **Susan Bull, California**

"Thank you again for responding to all my questions – you guys certainly know how to treat your customers – thank you!" **Laura Blakley, United Kingdom**

"I just want to say thank you for your fantastic games! We've played at least 6 of them, and every single one has been great fun. We have played a lot of murder mystery games over the past 5 years, and yours are absolutely the best." **Mary Lantz, USA**

# Cast list

## The family

**Martin Alexandria:** Owner of the library.

**Irene Alexandria:** Martin's younger sister, a fashionista known as the wilder of the Alexandria sisters

**Merle Alexandria:** Martin's only child

**Mabel Lavigne:** Martin's elder sister; widowed, rich, and respected

## Friends, colleagues and detectives

**Morgan Ashcroft:** A talented dressmaker.

**Elsie Carter:** Harvey J. Sawyer's assistant and beloved

**Charlotte Green:** A lively scholar and old friend of Martin's

**Edmund Hale M.P:** The local Member of Parliament

**Evelyn Moore:** An assistant police detective

**Harvey J. Sawyer:** A contributor to the London Gazette

**Alastor Shaw:** Irene's fiancé

**James Thompson:** A once well-known police detective

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