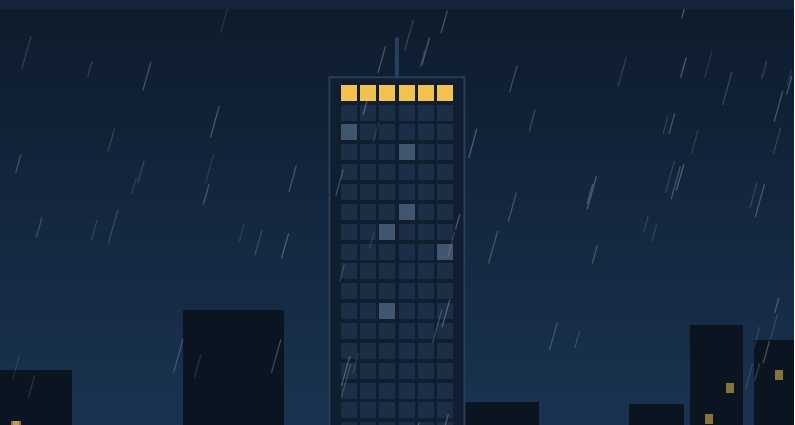


MURDER MYSTERY DINNER · 6 TO 7 PLAYERS

Closing Bell on the 24th Floor

A Murder Mystery Dinner on the Executive Floor of the Vandrell Group



SAMPLE

On the eve of the annual results press conference, the CEO of the Vandrell Group sits dead at his desk on the 24th floor. For hours, no one has reached the floor without an access card. You'll work out who did it at the table.

PLAYERS

6 or 7, the host plays along

AGE

16 and up

DURATION

about 3 hours

DIFFICULTY

tricky

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Backstory

Vandrell Tower has twenty-four floors, and on the top one the lights still burned that Thursday in March. At **9:00 a.m.** the next morning, the Vandrell Group was to present its annual figures. It is the year's most important date: analysts and journalists fill the room, and the share price reacts to every half sentence. It had been raining since early evening.

So eight people were still working on the floor. Dr. Konrad Rehberg, 61, had run the group as CEO for fourteen years. With him were CFO Helena Voss and Adrian Keller, board member for Legal & Compliance. Nora Lindqvist headed the Executive Office, Robin Castell the Investor Relations and Communications department, Samir Haddad IT Security and Dr. Isabel Thalberg Group Accounting. The eighth was Rehberg's assistant, Felix Brenner. Otherwise only the ground-floor security guard remained. From **8:00 p.m.**, the elevators went up to the 24th floor only with a floor access card.

At **8:30 p.m.**, Rehberg called everyone to a last briefing in the conference room "Dividend." Speech, press release, slides, figures: each reported what was still missing. Before dismissing the group at **8:44 p.m.**, Rehberg said a sentence nobody could place: "There will be a change to the schedule tomorrow morning. I have something to settle with the supervisory board before the press conference." He ignored the questions; everyone went back to work.

At **10:15 p.m.**, Nora Lindqvist knocked on Rehberg's office door because Robin Castell needed the press release signed off. Nobody answered. They went in. Konrad Rehberg sat slumped at his desk, dead.

Nora called the emergency line. Soon all seven stood in the anteroom. The police arrived at **10:40 p.m.**, sealed off the office and asked everyone to stay on the floor.

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The Characters

Seven people were on the floor that night. One of these roles will be yours.



Robin Castell

Head of Investor Relations & Communications

Robin sells the market every number as good news and knows every business journalist by first name. Nobody in the building knows better what a headline costs.



Helena Voss

Chief Financial Officer

For six years Helena has been responsible for the Vandrell Group's numbers. She is precise and impatient, and she thinks she would make the better CEO.

**Adrian Keller**

General Counsel, Legal & Compliance

Adrian is the lawyer on the executive board and writes the rules everyone in the group is supposed to follow. His manner is courteous; on the substance he does not give way.

**Nora Lindqvist**

Head of the Executive Office

Nobody gets to Konrad Rehberg without passing Nora's desk. She knows who was with him and when, and she doesn't talk about it.

**Samir Haddad**

Head of IT Security

Samir sees what happens on the Vandrell Group network and keeps quiet about it, as his job requires. He is thorough and trusts only what can be logged.

**Dr. Isabel Thalberg**

Head of Group Accounting

Isabel has run Group Accounting at Vandrell Group for eleven years. She works quietly and precisely, and without her no annual closing gets finished.

**Felix Brenner**

Executive Assistant to the CEO

Felix is the youngest on the floor and has been Rehberg's assistant for a year. He is ambitious and quick, and you can still see his nerves.

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What's included

- START HERE and host guide (no solution inside), with prologue and events to read aloud
- Floor plan of the executive floor
- 7 role booklets with intro and three rounds
- 9 props with an overview
- Accusation sheets and sealed solution
- Digital version: the intro and each round as a separate file to send

Content notes: Death by violence (stated plainly, not graphic) · White-collar crime · Workplace affair

The complete kit is available at krimiabend24.de.