## EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

## **CLUES**

- 1. When Mr Kelly's body was discovered it had a bullet hole in the thigh and a knife wound in the back.
- 2. Mr Jones shot at an intruder in his block of flats at midnight.
- 3. The lift attendant reported to the police that he saw Mr Kelly at 12:15am.
- 4. The bullet taken from Mr Kelly's thigh matched the gun owned by Mr Jones.
- 5. Only one bullet had been fired from Mr Jones' gun.
- When the lift attendant saw Mr Kelly, Mr Kelly was bleeding slightly, but he did not seem badly hurt.
- 7. A knife with Mr Kelly's blood on it was found in Ms Smith's garden.
- 8. The knife found in Ms Smith's garden had Mr Scott's fingerprints on it.
- 9. Mr Kelly had destroyed Mr Jones' business by taking all his customers.
- 10. The lift attendant said that Mrs Kelly often left the building with Mr Scott.
- 11. The lift attendant saw Mrs. Kelly go to Mr Scott's flat at 11:30pm.
- 12. Mr Kelly's body was found in the park.
- 13. Mr. Kelly had been dead for a hour when his body was found, according to a medical expert working with the police.
- 14. The lift attendant saw Mr Kelly go to Mr Scott's flat at 12:25am.
- 15. Mr Kelly's body was found at 1:30am.
- 16. The lift attendant went off duty at 12:30am.
- It was obvious from the condition of Mr Kelly's booty that it had been dragged a long distance.
- 18. Ms Smith saw Mr Kelly go to Mr Jones' block of flats at 11:55pm.
- 19. Mrs Kelly disappeared after the murder.
- 20. The police were unable to find Mr Scott after the body had been discovered.
- 21. When the police tried to find Mr Jones after the body had been discovered, they discovered that he had disappeared.
- 22. The lift attendant said Ms Smith was in the hall of the block of fiats when he went off duty.
- 23. Ms Smith often followed Mr Kelly.
- 24. Mr Jones had told Mr Kelly that he was going to Id him.
- 25. Ms Smith said that nobody left the block of fiats between 12:25am and 12:45am.
- 26. Mr Kelly's blood stains were found in Mr Scott's car.
- 27. Mr Kelly's blood stains were found on the carpet in the hall beside Mr Jones' flat.

## **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION MURDER MYSTERY**

- Organise the class into a large circle with students sitting on chairs.
   Explain that the activity is intended to help the students to develop their communication skills. This will be achieved by solving a murder mystery.
- Read the following directions to the class:

"Once I have completed these directions I will hand you each a piece of paper. Each piece of paper will contain one clue to help solve the murder mystery. By putting all the facts together you will be able to solve the mystery. To do this you must find the *murderer*, the *weapon*, the time of the murder, the *place* of the *murder*, and the *motive*. After 10 minutes you will break up into learning teams to discuss the possible solution to the murder. Your solutions will be checked and if incorrect, the large group will be formed again. Another 10 minute discussion will ensue with the whole group before two (2) learning teams will get together to solve the murder".

## RULES

"You can organise yourselves as you please. However the only way you may share your clues and ideas is by *talking*. You cannot pass clues around or show them to anyone. You cannot walk around the group. You cannot take notes."

- Hand out all the clues. This can mean that some students have more than
  one clue or that some students will not receive a clue depending on the
  number in the class.
- The teacher cannot make any suggestions during the activity.
- Start the activity by asking a student to read his/her clue. Next, the student on the right hand side of the first student reads his/her clue.
- The clues are randomly numbered so it does not matter in which order they are issued or read.
- Once all the clues are read the time for solving the murder commences.
   Remember keep to the time limit.
- When critiquing their solutions, tell learning teams only how many are correct, NOT which ones.

Answer: After receiving a superficial gunshot wound from Mr. Jones, Mr. Kelly went to Mr. Scott's at where he was stabbed by Mr. Scott 12:30am. Mr. Scott was in love with Mrs. Kelly

