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The Missing Meteorite

A Mini Whodunit Case

A complete mini mystery in five pages: one vanished meteorite, three suspects, one wheeled cart - and every clue you need to solve it yourself. Read the case, study the evidence, name the thief... then check the solution.

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The Case of the Vanishing Meteorite

Harborview Science Museum, a Saturday night in October. The museum's pride - the Harrow Iron, a black iron meteorite that fell from the sky in 1911 - rests on its steel stand in the middle of the main gallery, exactly where it has rested for forty years.

At 8:00 PM the gallery closed for the evening's guest lecture. The night guard, making his round, saw the meteorite on its stand and logged it. At 9:00 PM the lecture ended, the gallery lights came up - and the stand stood empty.

Nothing was smashed and nothing was forced. The gallery's public doors stayed locked for the whole hour. Whoever moved the Harrow Iron went by the service corridor - and went on wheels, because the stone weighs forty-one kilograms and nobody carries that under one arm.

Only three other people were in the building that hour. Their statements - and the physical evidence - are on the next page. One of the three is lying. Can you work out who, and how?

Suspects and Evidence

DR. INES HALVORSEN, 58 - visiting geologist

"I gave the guest lecture from eight until ten to nine, in front of fifty people. Yes, my university offered to buy that meteorite in the spring, and the museum refused. But I never left the stage all evening."

MARCUS WEBB, 44 - museum technician

"I was in the basement workshop the whole hour, fitting a new drive belt to the planetarium projector. I never went up to the gallery at all."

TILLY GRANT, 26 - gift-shop assistant

"I locked the shop at eight and sat in the staff room on a video call with my sister until nine. I never touched that specimen cart - I wouldn't know how to move it."

THE EVIDENCE

1. THE LECTURE. The usher confirms Dr. Halvorsen never left the stage between 8:00 and 8:50 PM, and fifty audience members heard every word. She had not one minute to spare.

2. THE PHONE LOG. The museum Wi-Fi log shows Tilly Grant's phone connected to the staff-room access point from 8:02 to 8:58 without a break - and her sister confirms the video call ran the whole hour.

3. THE WEIGHT. The Harrow Iron weighs 41 kg. Nobody carried it out. Fresh double-line scuff marks run across the gallery floor, from the empty stand to the service-corridor door.

4. THE CART. The museum's low specimen cart - the only carrier in the building that fits the corridor - was found in the loading bay, wiped clean. But its handle still carried a smear of black waterproof grease.

5. THE SEALED BELT. That black grease is used for one job only: the planetarium machinery in the basement workshop. And on the workshop bench sits the projector's new drive belt - still sealed in its packet. The old belt, unbroken, is still on the machine.

Stop here and decide: who took the meteorite, and how? The solution is on the next page.

The Solution

STEP 1 - FOLLOW THE WEIGHT. Forty-one kilograms of iron left the gallery on wheels: the low specimen cart, along the fresh double-line scuffs, through the service corridor to the loading bay.

STEP 2 - CLEAR THE GEOLOGIST. Ines Halvorsen wanted the meteorite, yes. But fifty witnesses and the usher pin her to the stage for the entire hour. Wanting is not taking. Not Ines.

STEP 3 - CLEAR THE SHOP ASSISTANT. Tilly Grant's video call - and the Wi-Fi log behind it - place her in the staff room from 8:02 to 8:58. She never went near the cart. Not Tilly.

STEP 4 - THE GREASE. The cart was wiped clean - but not its handle. The black grease on it comes from one room in the building, the basement workshop, and from one pair of hands: the technician's.

STEP 5 - THE BELT THAT WAS NEVER FITTED. Marcus Webb swore he spent the hour fitting a new drive belt. The new belt is still sealed in its packet, and the old one was never broken. He was not in the workshop. He was upstairs - wheeling the Harrow Iron to the loading bay, ready to collect it after closing.

THE METEORITE WAS TAKEN BY MARCUS WEBB

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