Script

Act 1

(Inside the school)

Claire is located in a classroom waiting for people.

Claire: 'Normally, I wouldn't do something like this. I would just go home and not deal with anyone at all. But I hate being selected to clean out the classrooms in this hall... I hate that there is so much to do. I know I'll be home late. Speaking of late, no one showed up yet.'

The door opens and Jane shows up.

'Never mind.'

Jane: "Are you the only one here?"

Claire: "Yeah. No one showed up."

Jane: "Hmm...okay."

'She isn't in a talkative mood today...or ever. I can never read her at all. I've never really talked to her or seen someone try to. There are rumors about her and every single one of them are so dramatic. They are always talking about the scar on her lip, they think it came from something traumatic. But it most likely came from a normal accident.'

The door opens again as two students come through the door. The first boy is tall and stocky with dark black hair and bright green eyes. While the other is seated in a wheelchair. He has a slightly athletic build and shares similar features as the first boy. I believe that's the ex-school athlete Liam. I think they are brothers.

Jordan:: "Hey, everyone! Sorry we're late. We got held up to get upstairs since the elevator broke."

Liam: "The school absolutely sucks when it comes to helping the disabled."

Claire: "Don't worry about it. You guys are not the last ones here anyway."

Liam: "Who else is supposed to be here again?"

Claire: "Milly and Morris."

Jordan: "Oh...Morris, huh?"

'The room fell silent. It was obvious that no one in this room wanted to work with Morris. He developed the reputation of...ruining lives in this school. I heard that the one of the kids he bullied had to get a safety transfer. However, he didn't do me as badly as the others here. He caused me to wind up in summer school. But for the others... he wasn't as merciful.'

Milly shows up

Milly: "Sorry, I'm late. I was talking to Mrs.Watson, and why is the elevator broken? Is the school trying to make things harder for us?"

Liam: "That's what I'm saying! Like hello, my legs don't work."

Milly: "Right! So is that everyone?"

Jordan: "No, we are still waiting for Morris. Knowing him, he probably won't show up..."

Claire: "It would be better if he didn't."

Jordan: "We will get things done a lot quicker if he doesn't show up. Better yet, life would be heaven if he didn't show up."

Claire: "Did anyone see him today?"

Jane: "Only in my 5th period, which was 2 hours ago..."

Liam: "Yeah, about 2 hours ago, me and bro saw him."

Milly: "I haven't really seen him today, thankfully."

Claire: "Yeah, I didn't see him at all. Maybe he isn't coming-"

Jane: "Can we stop talking about him... I don't want to stand around here all day."

Claire: "Yeah, same. He isn't coming anyway from what it seems, so it's best if we get started.

And just like that, Morris enters the classroom.

Morris: "Hello Neanderthals!"

The energy of the class got heavy. No one said a thing.

Morris: "Hey, are you guys deaf? I said hello!"

Liam: "No, we hear you, we just don't want to deal with your shit."

Morris: "Listen, don't be mad you can't feel your legs no more-"

Jordan: "THAT'S ENOUGH!"

The class went silent for a little while.

Claire: "Look, can we just start already. We got a ton of work to do. The busier we are, the quicker we can leave and not deal with Morris."

Morris: "It's flattering how much attention you guys give me."

Morris looks at Milly

Morris: "You would know, right?"

Claire: "Stop."

Milly: "It's okay. I'm used to it...well more used to it by now. You can call me whatever and destroy my image, but I know you will get what's coming to you."

Clairer: "Shut up and let's get to work. We have to clean all the classrooms on this floor. Let's split up, so we can go home early and be at each other's throats."

Jane gets up from the seat and walks near the door.

Morris: "Where do you think you are going"

Jane: "Away from you..."

Jane looks at Claire

Jane: "To the far end of the hall class. Class 4. I'm going to get started."

Jane leaves the class.

Claire: "I'll start here."

Jordan: "Me, and Liam will start in class 2."

Milly: "I'm Class 3 I guess."

Morris: "I will stay here."

Claire: "Fine, but you better not try anything. I'm already tired of your shit."

Morris: "No promises."

Everyone went to their respective classrooms, with only Claire and Morris alone.

<u>Act 2</u>

It's been a couple of hours and Claire has finished cleaning. Morris left hours ago to get something but never came back.

Claire: "Finally. He really ditched me to do everything for myself. God, I hate him."

A very intense storm was raging outside the school. Claire received a notification on her phone to see that the storm will last till late night and is not recommended for everyone to go outside until the storm is over.

Claire: "Great..."

The door opens in the classroom to see Milly, Jordan, Liam and Jane walking in.

Milly: "We are finished!"

Liam "Finally! I thought we would never be finished. My legs are tired...pun intended by the way,"

Jordan: "Are you guys ready to go?"

Jane: "We can't."

Jordan: "Wait, why?"

Claire: "The storm outside and there was an emergency notification on our phones telling us to not go outside until it's over. You guys didn't hear it?"

Jane: "I did."

Liam: "My phone is dead."

Jordan: "I didn't bring my phone since I did not pay my phone bill."

Milly: "Just now got it."

Liam: "Just now?"

Milly: "Look my phone is slow okay. I haven't updated my phone since..."

Jordan: "Where is Morris?"

Claire: "I don't know. He bailed on me shortly after I started cleaning. He didn't help me at all."

Jane: "What a surprise ... "

Claire: "Have you guys seen him?"

Liam: "Nah. Me and Jordan didn't see him at all. Which is great."

Milly: "Same here."

Claire shakes her head.

Claire: "Man freak this. I'm finding him and giving him hell. No way his lazy ass left me to do everything."

Liam: "Sounds like him."

Milly: "He's probably in the cafeteria. Normally, that is where he would be."

Jordan: "Probably stealing food after the hard labor and no thought for the rest of us."

Claire: "I'm finding him and ripping him to shreds. He can't keep getting away like this."

Claire and the rest went up to the cafeteria through the staircase to see that Morris wasn't there.

Liam: "Hey, what the hell? He isn't here."

Jordan: "Huh he probably left."

Jane: "How long did he leave the classroom?"

Claire: "Like an hour after we were cleaning."

Jane: "Then he shouldn't have left because the storm was going strong since then."

Milly: "Unless he's insane in which he is."

Claire: "Yeah...you're probably right. But why come all the way here if he wasn't going to leave early?"

Jordan: "Just to say he was here."

Milly: "Lazy bastard."

Liam: "Let's just go back upstairs and wait for the storm to be over. I'm tired of looking at that."

Claire: "Huh?"

Their eyes were on the soccer trophy case which was mainly won by Liam. Of course with his injury, he couldn't reach his goal of becoming a pro. What is more sad about this story is that the injury wasn't caused by a typical sports incident...it was caused by Morris.

Jordan: "Yeah...let's go."

We all got on the elevator nearby and got on. As soon as we got on, a foul stench hit the air.

Claire : "That smell...what is that smell?"

Milly: "Is it me or does it smell like..."

Jane: "It's coming from above the shaft."

Milly looks at Claire.

Milly: "I'll give you a boost so you can open it."

Claire gets boosted by Milly and tries to open the shaft with no success.

Claire: "It's too heavy."

Jane: "Let's go to the 3rd floor."

Milly: "Why?"

Jane: "So we can open the door and see the elevator from above when it's going up again."

Claire: "Smart."

Milly lowers Claire and Character hits the 3rd floor button.

They reached the 3rd floor and clicked the 1st floor button so when they hit the call button again, the elevator could go up and they could view it from the above.

Jane: "Okay so let's try to open the door and then when it's open, hit the button."

All of the characters try to open the door and with tough effort, it's opened.

Milly hit the button.

The sound of the elevator going up gave an ominous feeling for everyone. They don't know why, but something doesn't feel right. The elevator slowly elevated up...gasps and screams can be heard from the group. The body of Morris that was crimson red was found on top of the elevator.

Milly: "SOMEONE PLEASE CALL 911 NOW!"

Claire immediately takes out her phone and calls 911. A couple of seconds later, the authorities answered as they said due to the storm they will be there in an hour.

Milly begins to panic.

Milly: "Oh my god! Oh my god! OH MY GOD!"

Jane: "Calm down."

Liam: "HOW CAN WE CALM DOWN? THERE'S A DEAD BODY! ARE YOU BLIND?"

Jordan: "We should all calm down. The police will be here and they will handle it."

Liam: "MORRIS WAS FUCKING MURDERED."

Jane: "How do you know he was murdered?"

Liam: "WHY WOULD HE KILL HIMSELF ON TOP OF THE ELEVATOR?"

Claire: "You're right. Someone had to kill him. But this isn't our business."

Milly: "It's because you're the killer right?"

Claire: "What? What are you talking about? I didn't kill no one!"

Jordan: "It's only us in this school..."

Liam: "And you were the only one with him after we left."

Claire: "That doesn't mean I killed him-"

Milly: "YES IT DOES! WHO YOU THINK DONE IT? A GHOST? YOU THE ONLY ONE THAT COULD'VE DONE IT."

Claire: "IT WASN'T ME!"

Liam: "IT HAS TO BE!"

Jane: "Okay enough!"

Milly: "IT'S-"

Jane: "I said enough! Innocent until proven guilty so Claire, do you have anything to say to defend yourself?"

Claire: "Look I know by the look of things it may seem like I was the one to do it... but I can prove that I'm innocent. How do I know if one of you guys is not lying about not seeing him?"

Jordan: "Me and Liam were together when working in our class so it couldn't be us."

Claire: "Can't use your brother as an alibi since he can play a part in it too. The only ones that were alone was Jane and Milly"

Milly: "You are not switching this on us!"

Jordan: "You were alone with him too, Claire..."

Claire: "IT COULD'VE BEEN ANYBODY!"

Milly: "STOP LYING!"

Claire: "I'M NOT LYING!."

Jane: "ENOUGH! The police will be here in an hour...or less since you've been here arguing. So till then, you're going to have to prove yourself that you didn't do it. If you don't by the time the police get here..."

Claire: "..."

Tension fueled the air as Claire starts to think of the places and questions to go for to prove her innocence.

Liam: "What? Got nothing?"

Claire: "Shut up, I'm thinking."

Places of Interests

- 1. Top of Elevator
- 2. Storage Room
- 3. 3rd Floor
- 4. 4th Floor
- 5. Lunchroom

(Top of Elevator Choice)

Claire: Let's check the top of the elevator.

Milly: "Why do you want to do that? So you can hide the evidence or try to pin something on us?"

Claire: "To investigate to clear my name, so stop talking, please."

Liam: "We are watching you."

Claire: "Yeah, whatever."

Claire went on top of the elevator.

Elevator Choices

- 1. Check body.
- 2. Look around.
- 3. Question Everyone

(If check body)

Claire looked around to see stab marks on the collarbone.

Claire: "He was stabbed. But there doesn't seem to be any signs of struggle."

Jane: "How do you know?"

Liam: "Because she did it obviously!"

Jordan: "Please calm down Liam."

Liam: "How I'm supposed to be calm if-"

Claire: "SHUT UP! Think about this, if someone would've stabbed him, there would've been some sort of struggle for him so he could fight back. There is also no blood trail outside this floor. There isn't even a blood trail in the elevator either."

Jordan: "They would have cleaned it up right?"

Claire: "Blood is very hard to clean up, so we would've seen it coming in."

Milly: "So what are we getting at here?"

Jane: "He was killed somewhere else and dumped here."

Claire nods.

Jordan: "But where?"

Claire: "Gotta keep looking."

(If you look around at top of elevator)

Claire looks around to see a bloodied glass protractor.

Claire: "Found the murder weapon..."

Jordan: "My god..."

Jane: "It doesn't tell us much, since none of us could've owned one."

Claire: "No, I think I know where this came from. I think it came from the storage room."

Jane: "Let's check there then."

Claire: "Yeah, in a second, though. Let me continue checking."

Milly: "Time is ticking."

Claire: "I hear you."

(If choosing to Question everyone)

Claire: "So tell me what have you guys been doing before his death? None of you guys left the class or saw him at all?"

Milly: "We were cleaning in separate classrooms, while you were the only one with Morris. Don't try to say we were with him in any way since you have no proof."

Claire: "This is going nowhere..."

(If Claire goes to storage room)

- 1. Check missing item
- 2. Look at the roller trolley
- 3. Leave

(If Claire choose missing item)

Claire: "Yup, the same protractor that killed him went here."

Liam: "Yeah, YOU went here to get the protractor to kill him."

Jane: "The killer wouldn't tell anyone where they get their own weapon..."

Milly: "She's gaslighting us."

Jordan: "She could be lying, but she is right though. Why would the killer reveal where they got their weapon?"

Liam: "So youre on her side huh?"

Milly: "I'm not on her side, I'm just saying she has a point-"

Liam: "Just stop. You've never had my back since I got my leg busted...always leaving me behind..."

Jordan stayed signed and stayed silent.

Jane: "Look...someone definitely went here. But the thing is, why specifically a protractor?"

Liam: "Didn't Milly have the math classroom?"

Milly: "That doesn't mean anything!"

Jane: "Well, it is placed in the crate full of other math books and stuff that you needed to set up for the class you were cleaning."

Milly: "I swear it wasn't there when I got here. It was 3 boxes! Claire must've set me up!"

Claire: "You're on my neck this entire time. You really are trying to pin this on me."

Jane: "You still have time, so you better hurry up and look around for more stuff to prove your innocence."

(If Claire choose Roller Trolley)

Claire: "I think the Trolley has something to do with moving the body."

Liam: "Oh yeah? So genius, where is the blood?"

Claire: "I...yeah you got a point."

Milly: "Time is ticking."

(If Claire chooses 3rd floor)

- 1. Look around
- 2. Ask questions about potential bodies here.
- 3. Leave.

(If look around 3rd floor)

After looking around, Claire found nothing.

Claire: "Damn it. Nothing here.."

Milly: "Hurry up!"

Claire: "The murderer should've killed her too..."

(If Claire chooses to ask a question about a potential body lead here.)

Claire: "Morris must have gone up to the 3rd floor and died there."

Jordan: "So why is there no blood?"

Claire: "I...yeah...yeah, Morris probably wasn't killed here."

(If Claire chooses to go to lunchroom)

- 1. Phone and food trey on the table
- 2. Leave

(If Claire chooses phone and food tray on the table)

Claire walks up and takes the phone.

Claire: "This is Morris's phone!"

Jordan: "Look through it."

Claire looks through recent apps used as the messages of his conversation with someone an alias named "*AIM.CO*"

Claire: "AIM.CO?"

Liam: "No idea. My messenger name is GOALSMAN"

Jordan: "Mine is my full name and I only used it to reach out to my family."

Milly: "I don't use mine...for obvious reasons."

Liam: "Oh yeah, he deepfaked you in that video-"

Milly: "Stop...please."

Claire: "In the text, he was supposed to meet up with this AIM.CO on the 4th floor."

Jane: "So he was on the 4th floor before he died."

Jordan: "What else did the text say?"

Claire scrolls through the text to reveal that AIM.CO is most likely a girl from the conversation. Claire decided to keep that information for herself.

Claire: "Nothing else."

Jane : "Alright then, let's go."

(If Claire chooses 4th floor)

- 1. Elevator
- 2. A trash can
- 3. Leave

(If Claire chooses Elevator)

Claire searched around the elevator and saw nothing out of the ordinary.

Claire: "Nothing damn!"

Jordan: "What are you doing?"

Claire: "Just checking something."

Liam: "Not looking good. Time is ticking!"

(If Claire chooses trash can)

Claire looked through the trash can to see a plastic tarp which was covered in blood.

Claire: "That's the same tarp in the gym room..."

Jane: "What are you looking at?"

Claire: "Nothing. I thought something was there. So I have a question. Did any of you have your door opened when cleaning?"

Milly: "What are you getting at here? You're trying to talk your way out again?"

Claire: "Just answer the damn question."

Jordan: "Yeah, the door was open."

Liam: "What he said."

Milly: "Fine, yeah the door was open."

Jane: "Yeah...mine was."

Claire whispered to herself: The plastic tarp was near class 4. Someone had to see someone walking out with that big tarp. It's getting clearer.

Jordan: "Uhh you okay?"

Claire: "Yeah, I'm okay. Let's just continue."

<u>Act 3</u>

Everyone went near the school entrance as the police were about to arrive any minute now.

Milly: "Times up. We've been walking around and planning to give you a chance but you have nothing do you?"

Claire: "I do. I know who did it."

Liam: "Better not be wrong because people in jail don't like liars."

<u>Choices</u>

Jane Liam and Jordan Milly

(Claire chooses Milly)

Claire: "Milly...it's you."

Milly: "WHAT? NOW YOU ARE JUST PICKING ANYBODY!"

Claire: "I'm not! You are the only one that could've done it because of the protractor. You could've lied about the boxes."

Jordan: "But how would she contact him to go up if she doesn't have a phone?"

Claire: "She's got to be lying. Take out everything and prove you don't have a phone!"

Milly takes out her bag and takes out everything, including the stuff in her pockets. No phone in her possession.

Milly: "See no phone!"

Claire: "She must have thrown it away!"

Jane: "Just stop. You're reaching now. It's over."

Claire: "I'M TELLING YOU THAT I DIDN'T DO IT!"

The sound of sirens is outside the door.

Liam: "Tell that to them, murder!"

With that, Claire fails to prove her innocence and the mystery is never solved.

(If the Claire chooses Jordan and Liam)

Claire: "Jordan and Liam did it."

Liam: "YOU ARE INSANE IF YOU THINK WE DID IT!"

Jordan: "Let's hear her explanation. She has a right to explain why she thinks we did it."

Liam: "DUDE, SHE IS CLEARLY LYING! SHE DOESN'T NEED TO EXPLAIN NOTHING."

Claire: "It had to be you two because ... "

Liam: "Because what?"

Jordan: "Before you say anything, Claires, it couldn't be us. We didn't contact him to go to the 4th floor."

Liam: "Bro would've used his full name."

Jordan: "Lack of evidence you have, Claire."

The sounds of sirens are heard outside.

Claire: "WAIT! PLEASE, IT'S NOT ME!"

Liam: "That's what they all say."

With that, Claire failed to prove her innocence and the mystery is never solved.

(Claire chooses Jane)

Claire: "It's you."

Jane: "Excuse me?"

Claire: "You heard me. You killed Morris."

Milly: "Okay, you're just pointing fingers right now."

Liam: "The police are going to come any minute. Just give up now, Claire. Jordan: Let's hear her out. Maybe she does have a reason."

Claire: "The murder happened on the 4th floor. People would've known you were passing by, but you are the only one in the end of the hall to do the killing."

Liam: "Wait, why is her being at the end of the hall making her guilty?"

Claire: "Because she would've gotten the plastic tarp she got from the gym on the fourth floor and be able to go to the storage room without anyone seeing her."

Milly: "Plastic tarp? You said there wasn't anything there."

Claire: "I lied just in case. But It's up on the fourth floor. Jane could've wrapped Morris up after killing him and threw him to the elevator without getting blood on her."

Jordan: "What about the text that Morris had?"

Claire: "Let's ask why Jane didn't tell us her messenger name and how the Morris texts seem like he was talking to a female. Milly doesn't use her phone."

Everyone looked at Jane.

Jane: "Okay...you got me."

Liam: "No way..."

Milly: "I...can understand why. He messed up all of our lives but murdering him is just...too far."

Jane: "TOO FAR? HE DEGRADED YOUR IMAGE TO THE WORLD! Liam, HE BROKE YOUR LEG, RUINING YOUR DREAM OF BEING PRO AT SOCCER! Jordan, HE MADE YOU BE THE BURDEN OF YOUR OWN BROTHER. YOU COULDN'T EVEN LIVE YOUR OWN LIFE."

Jane looks at Claire.

Jane: "He burned down your house and didn't even get punished for it. Your family is still struggling from that. Too far is an understatement."

Everyone stayed silent.

The sirens are heard outside.

Jane: "I did what was right. I don't regret anything."

Everyone stayed silent.

The police came. Everything was resolved. But was it truly a bittersweet ending or a happy one?