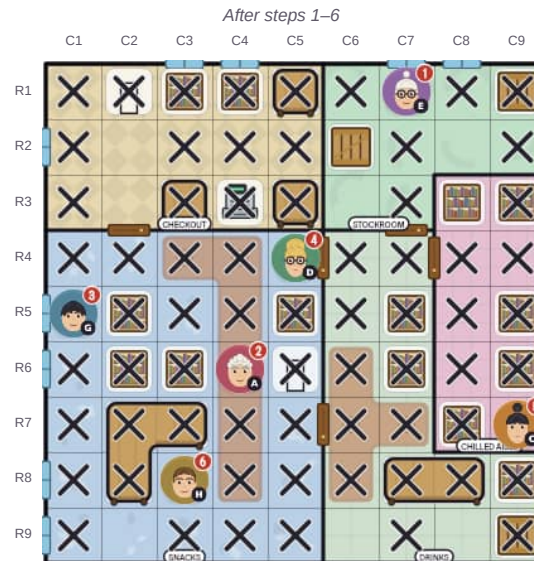
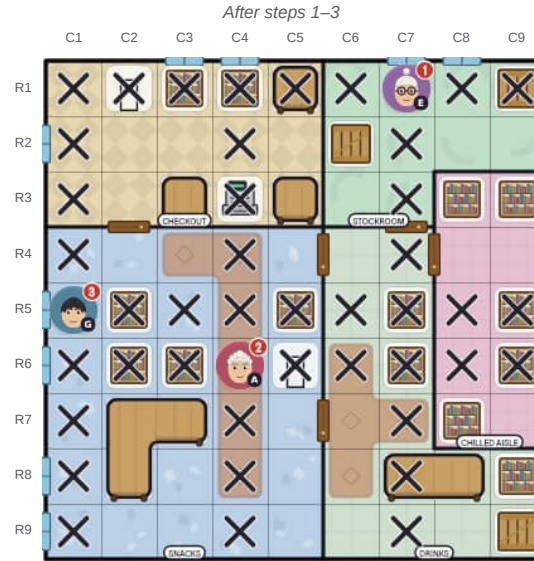




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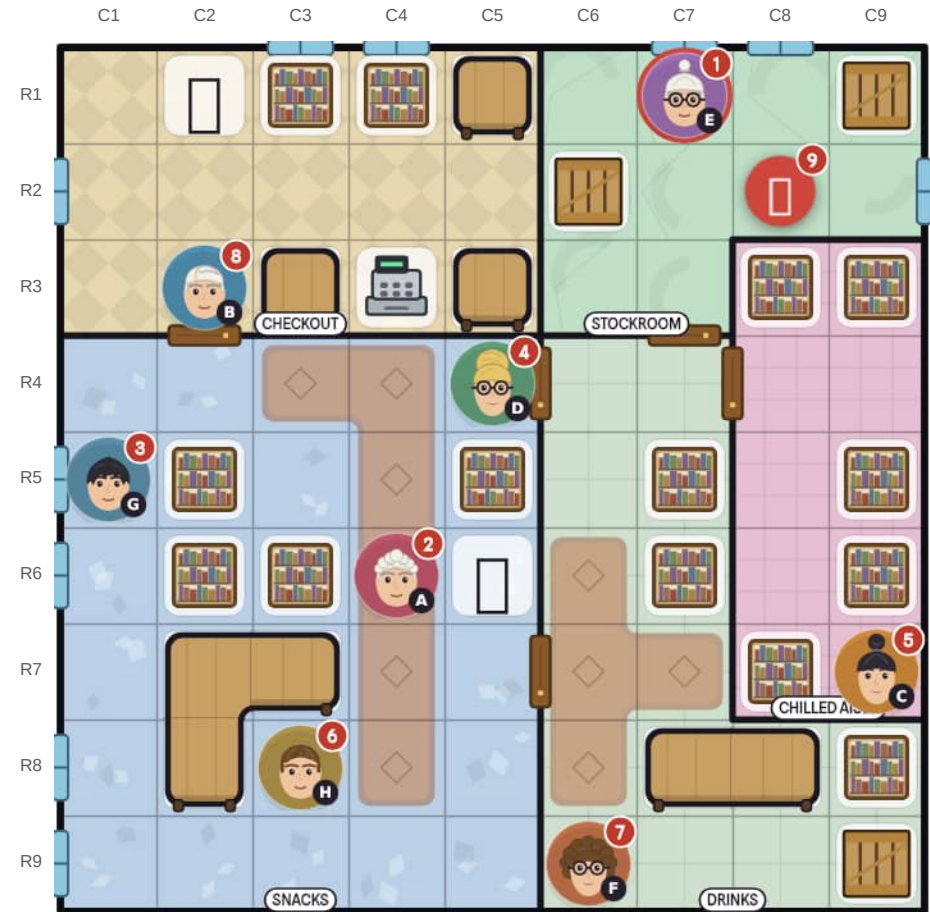
Difficulty: Hard

- 1 Grant: only column 1 possible – blocked for others. Edison must be on R1/C7 – the only possible cell.
- 2 Someone must be beside a carpet in Hugh's room (Snacks) – only R4/C5 can do that. The cell is certainly taken: the rest of its row and column is blocked, the cell itself only fits possible companions. Alex must be on R6/C4 – the only possible cell.
- 3 Grant must be on R5/C1 – the only possible cell.
- 4 In row 4 everything is crossed out except R4/C5 – only Dalia fits there, no other suspect and not the victim. Dalia must be on R4/C5 – the only possible cell.
- 5 Carol can't be there – otherwise the victim is nowhere left alone with exactly one suspect (no clear murderer). Carol must be on R7/C9 – the only possible cell.
- 6 Hugh can't be there – otherwise the victim is nowhere left alone with exactly one suspect (no clear murderer). Hugh must be on R8/C3 – the only possible cell.
- 7 Freya must be on R9/C6 – the only possible cell.
- 8 Bernd can't be there – otherwise the victim is nowhere left alone with exactly one suspect (no clear murderer). Bernd must be on R3/C2 – the only possible cell.
- 9 The victim Verena remains on the last free cell R2/C8.
- 10 Murderer: Edison was alone with the victim in the Stockroom.



The murderer has been caught!
Here is where everybody was, and how to get there.

SOLUTION



The murderer is...

Edison