



Marked Down for Murder

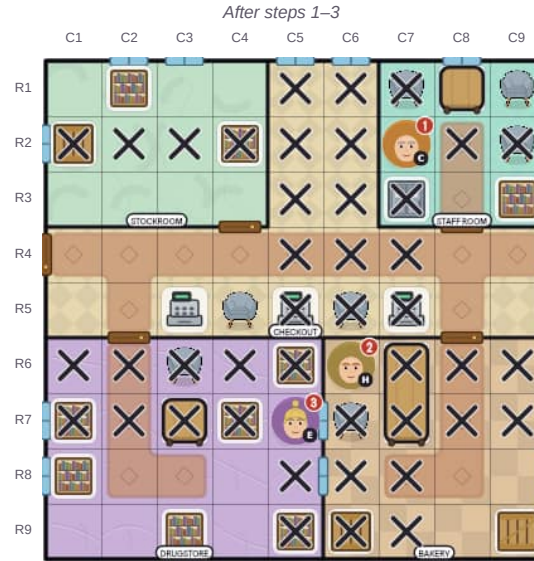
Difficulty: Hard

- 1 Someone matching had to be on a chair in Floyd's room; only Cyrus can be (everyone else is ruled out) – so Cyrus is in the same room as Floyd. Cyrus must be on R2/C7 – the only possible cell.
- 2 Hugh must be alone, but row 4 lies entirely in the Checkout and is occupied – so not there. Hugh must be on R6/C6 – the only possible cell.
- 3 Hugh is alone in the Bakery – everyone else is excluded from it. Edison must be on R7/C5 – the only possible cell.
- 4 In column 9 everything is crossed out except R1/C9 – only Floyd fits there, no other suspect and not the victim. Floyd must be on R1/C9 – the only possible cell.
- 5 Grant was exactly 4 columns west of Anna Grant must be on R9/C4 – the only possible cell.
- 6 Dylan must be on R8/C2 – the only possible cell.
- 7 Already 2 people on a carpet – excluded for everyone else. Bernd must be on R3/C3 – the only possible cell.
- 8 The victim Vito remains on the last free cell R5/C1.
- 9 Anna must be on R4/C8 – the only possible cell.
- 10 Murderer: Anna was alone with the victim in the Checkout.

The murderer has been caught!

Here is where everybody was, and how to get there.

SOLUTION



The murderer is...

Anna