

Get A Clue: Mix and Mingle Where All Are Suspects

For years, a popular small party gathering is to have everyone in the room as suspects in a crime. Everyone is provided with a certain amount of information and everyone talks to each other to determine the culprit. The murderer knows that they're the murderer and will lie to try to get away with the crime. Everyone else tells the truth and tries to piece together the clues.

THEY improv has come up with a professional approach to take these parties to a whole new level. Clue Parties are extremely flexible and have a broad selection of plotlines and approaches to best serve a variety of groups. The murderer had a gun, had a motive and was in the room at the time of the murder. Everyone had at least one of those, most will have had two, but only one had all three. By mixing and mingling everyone tries to put together the details. These work well for parties as small as 10 people and can work for large groups as well, though may become unwieldy for very large groups.

Our facilitators help to select characters to be given to each participant, explain the rules and help push the evening along. Our objective is to get everyone involved and to have people smiling at the end of the evening. We never lose sight on the main idea: This is for entertainment.

Question 1: How many facilitators?

We prefer the term 'host' for our facilitator. Our host will allow you to make certain that the rules are explained, information disseminated and freeing you up to enjoy your own party.

With a second facilitator, you get another actor who serves to assist the host with all manner of issues. The second actor can play the victim with audience members being allowed to take pictures with the dead body like *Weekend at Bernie's*. After being awakened, the assistant then serves to play additional characters. Bouncing from character to character, this assistant helps to lighten the mood and serve as an example as to how to play the game.

Question 2: What theme for the party?

THEY improv has a variety of themes to fit most every occasion. From themes taking place in various times in the past, such as a Speakeasy from the 20's, with big hair bands of the 80's, at a peace rally in the 70's to events taking place with celebrities, children's themes or simply at a millionaire's mansion, **THEY improv** has a variety of characters that can entertain almost any group. People can be told ahead about the theme so that they can come dressed appropriately, or even be assigned specific characters. Alternatively, we can inform people on the spur of the moment assigning characters along the way and entertaining people with the choices made.

Question 3: How long will the event take?

The events vary in length depending on the size of the group and if we add additional elements. Larger events can be sped up by reducing the number of characters by halving the characters.

Contact **THEY improv** to find out how hiring **THEY improv** is a winning proposition for everyone. We'll speak to you about these questions and work with you to determine the right choices for your event. Email **THEY improv** at infoTHEYimprov.com or by phone at (866) 219-4386.