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ESCAPE ROOM (JUST FOR FUN)

This small group adventure game will test your mental limits while teams work together to decipher clues, overcome challenges, and get out of a locked room in less than an hour. You can find escape rooms in every city and each escape room has its own unique mission. Choose your favorite adventure, step into the room, and watch a video that explains your mission. Then work together with your teammates to escape before time runs out. People love escape rooms and it'll give you a chance to show off your critical thinking skills.

WHO TO INVITE

An escape room party is perfect for groups of 8 people or more. Invite families, couples, or a group of friends who are ready to be mentally challenged as they work together to solve a puzzle. If you have more than 8 people, you can book multiple rooms that all start at the same time. Also consider giving your guests a sleuth themed goodie bag (a nice reminder that you're always looking out for them).

TIMING

You can host an escape room party anytime. However, you might want to consider the month of September in honor of National Preparedness Month.

VENUE

There are thousands of escape rooms worldwide. Check your local listings to find one in your city.

AGENDA

Organization is the key to any successful event. Accomplish your mission by staying on track.

1. Welcome/Sign-in
2. Meet and Greet/Happy Hour/Icebreaker
3. Escape Room
4. Goodbye/Thank You for Coming

WHAT YOU NEED

Supplies

- ☐ Appetizer plates
- ☐ Paper napkins
- ☐ Plastic table covering
- ☐ Insulated cups
- ☐ Coffee sleeves
- ☐ Coffee stirrers
- ☐ Balloons
- ☐ Curling Ribbon (for balloons)
- ☐ Balloon centerpiece weight(s)
- ☐ Table confetti
- ☐ Goodie bags
- ☐ Goodie bag fillers (magnifying glass, invisible ink, notepad, mini flashlight, stopwatch, etc.)
- ☐ Name tags (secret agent theme)
- ☐ Sticky notes
- ☐ Sharpies
- ☐ Beverage bucket(s)
- ☐ Bags of ice
- ☐ Bottle opener
- ☐ Wine opener
- ☐ Prizes (for winning team if you have multiple rooms)
- ☐ Sound system/speakers
- ☐ Camera or phone (for taking pictures)

Also be sure to check out our [Party Planning Checklist](#) to make sure you have all your bases covered.

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Food & Drink

When you book your escape room, inquire about on-site food and beverage and the ability to bring in your own. Incorporating a meet and greet happy hour is a great way for you to connect with your guests before the event begins. It's especially important if you divide up into different rooms. The following are some fun food and drink ideas you might want to consider.

- ☐ "Hot on the trail (mix)"
- ☐ Thumbprint cookies
- ☐ "Top Secret" or "Confidential" hand decorated cookies
- ☐ Donuts
- ☐ Mystery cupcakes (insert question mark toothpick toppers)
- ☐ "Top" secret popcorn (in bag with "pop secret" label)
- ☐ Red licorice (licorice packaged inside clear treat bag with TNT label on outside)
- ☐ Coffee (with creamer and sugar packets)
- ☐ Soda
- ☐ Bottled water
- ☐ Seltzers
- ☐ Red wine
- ☐ White wine
- ☐ Beer
- ☐ Mystery punch

GOOD VIBES ONLY

Icebreaker

Get everyone in the proper mindset of solving a mystery by playing a game of "Guess Who" during your happy hour. This is a great way for guests to bond before they start their adventure. Place a sticky note on their back with the name of a famous person. Tell them to walk around the room and ask others yes and no answers about who they are until they guess their correct name.

Music

Playing music in the background adds a festive vibe to any party. Consider creating a playlist ahead of time with songs like "Magical Mystery Tour." Be sure to keep the volume at a reasonable level so people can hear each other.

HELPFUL TIPS

Get the Word Out

We recommend advertising your event with the following:

- ☐ "Save the Date" card
- ☐ Invitation
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Text messages
- ☐ Personal phone calls

Collateral

Further promote your personal brand with the following:

- ☐ Event banner/sign
- ☐ Goodie bag stickers
- ☐ Wine bottle labels
- ☐ Water bottle labels
- ☐ Beer bottle labels
- ☐ Coffee sleeve labels
- ☐ Snack bag labels
- ☐ Thank You cards
- ☐ Coming soon listing flyer (clue them in on what's coming)
- ☐ Post event pictures on social media with shoutouts

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