

Character: Max



A Reunion to Die For

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The Scene

Fabulous 1980's! The year is 1986, and it is the 10-year high school reunion of the East Side class of '76. High school was the best of times, and everyone is excited for the upcoming reunion. Get your 80's attire ready and join your old friends for a night everyone is sure to remember! See classmates and even faculty that you haven't seen in a decade. Relive the best 4 years in a night of fun, reminiscing, and... murder!

How to play

You are a character in a murder mystery game. You will be attending a high school reunion with a number of your ex-classmates and faculty. Below you will see a detailed description of your character, followed by a brief description of the other characters in the game. Read through this information before the party so you will have a basic idea of who you and your classmates are. Before the event, do not discuss any of your character's information or secrets with others who will be playing the game. Dressing up is encouraged. The general dress is 80's style casual or semi-formal, though your individual character may give you particular ideas about how to dress. Upon arrival at the event, the host will give you a sheet to carry around with you during Act 1. He or she will also provide additional instruction at certain points and will be able to answer questions about the game. The sheet the host provides will contain one or more announcements that your character will make during Act 1 as well as indications of how to respond to other characters. While parts of the game follow an exact script, others do not, and you will have the freedom to interpret your character however you choose. Everyone has secrets and knowledge as well as objectives of their own, so the more you talk to the other guests, the more you will learn, and the more fun you will have.

Your Background

Then: You moved to East Side High School from a nearby town right before your junior year because your parents saw better prospects for their lucrative jewelry business. East Side High had always had the stronger football team, but you felt you were just as good as their quarterback, Brad. However, Brad outplayed you during training camp leading up to the season, and you were worried that the coach would give him the starting job. You knew your parents had bribed people in the past to get themselves better established in the jewelry business, so you asked your father if there was anything he could do to "help you" get the starting quarterback spot. He never denied you anything and told you he would talk to Principal Anderson. The next day you asked him how it had gone. He just smiled and winked. When Coach Brown announced the starting positions at the end of training camp, you weren't surprised to see your name penciled in as the starting quarterback. Brad was always cold to you after that, but you didn't really care. Sometimes to get ahead in life, you need to step on people.

When you started attending East Side, you had an instant attraction to Stacey. She was dating Kevin, who was the basketball captain. You might have left well enough alone, but she basically threw herself at you. The next thing you knew, she was seeing you behind Kevin's back, and it wasn't long before she dumped Kevin and started dating you officially. The timing might have been better for Kevin, as she did it right before the conference championship basketball game. He missed all his first half shots, then refused to come out of the locker room after halftime in an embarrassing 32-point loss. He bore a grudge toward both of you after that. You didn't like him either. He had his friends, but you were more popular. The guy needed to learn that life isn't always fair.

High school was a blast! You captained the football team to the state championship both junior and senior seasons and were practically worshipped by the student body. You briefly dated Amanda for a while behind Stacey's back. Amanda had just been forced to break up with Gus, the school bad boy, when Jill ratted out their secret relationship to Amanda's parents. Karma caught up with Jill when she was caught copying answers from Teresa's final exam. Jill received a zero on the final and had to take summer school as a result.

One day, Brian, who you had always picked on, saw you kissing Amanda at a small, seedy café on the west side of town. He came up to you and smugly said if you didn't want Stacey to find out, you had better leave him alone. The next day, you and a few of your friends cornered Brian as he was leaving school. You dunked his head in the toilet, gave him a wedgie that ripped his underwear, then trapped him in a locker for an hour. When you let him out, you told him to be quiet if he didn't want worse. He never said anything.

Brian's punishment didn't end there. At the senior awards assembly, both of you were standing in front of the student body while waiting to receive awards. You "accidentally" tripped and needed to grab on to his pants to break your fall. In the process, his pants and underwear came down, as the whole school watched.

You and Amanda mutually decided to call it quits shortly before graduation. You continued to date Stacey, who you never told. Everyone expected you and Stacey to be named prom king and queen. You did in fact win king, but the surprise of the evening happened when Cristina was named queen. Stacey was very disappointed.

Now: After high school, you and Stacey continued to date and married shortly after graduating from college. You've taken over your parents' lucrative jewelry business, and you live in a large house on the east side of town. Unfortunately, your marriage has had some rocky moments over the years. You get into heated arguments at times, and the neighbors called the police a few months back after Stacey threw a telephone book at you that missed and shattered your bedroom window.

You are excited for the upcoming 10-year high school reunion. It will be an excellent opportunity to see old friends and let them know just how successful you have been since high school.

The Guest List

Max - Moved to East Side before junior year. He quickly became quarterback of the football team and led the team to back-to-back state championships. He dated Stacey, the most popular girl in the school, and won prom king. Max now runs his parents' jewelry business.

Stacey - The most popular girl at East Side High School. Stacey dated Kevin for almost three years before dumping him via a note delivered by her friend Amanda. She dated Max for the remainder of high school. The school was shocked when Stacey was not crowned prom queen. That honor went to Cristina. Stacey and Max are now married.

Brad - Quarterback of the football team before Max came to East Side and won the spot. Brad switched to defense and helped the team win back-to-back state titles. Good friends with Kevin. Brad went on to become an insurance salesman.

Cristina - Captain of the cheerleading team and best friends with Stacey and Amanda. Cristina beat out Stacey for prom queen, to the surprise of all. Currently a reporter at a local television station where she mostly does puff pieces.

Kevin - Captain of the basketball team. He was dumped by Stacey the day of the conference championship basketball game during junior year. He had a terrible game, refused to come out of the locker room in the 2nd half, and was mocked by the student body for weeks. He made up for it by leading the team to the conference championship the following season. Kevin has gone on to become a dentist.

Amanda - Good friends with Stacey and Cristina. Amanda dated Gus, the school bad boy, and got in trouble when Jill revealed this to Amanda's parents. Amanda is now married with 3 children. She is married to a boyfriend she met in college and not to Gus, who is in prison.

Brian - President of the chess club. Brian won the county chess tournament during senior year. He was de-pantsed by Max at the senior awards assembly in front of the entire student body. Max claimed he had tripped and caught onto Brian's pants by accident. After graduation, Brian started a successful software company which he recently sold for \$20 million.

Teresa - Student council president and a model student. Teresa was named "most likely to succeed" by the members of the class before graduation. She is now a high-powered lawyer working in a prestigious law firm in New York City and is dating Brian.

Principal Anderson - Principal of East Side High. Known as a hard-working pedagogue who emphasized discipline and integrity. Principal Anderson took disciplinary action against Jill when Teresa and Cristina reported her for cheating.

Jill - State champion track athlete. She was frequently made fun of by some of the popular kids, especially Amanda. She got revenge on Amanda by ratting out her relationship with Gus, the school bad boy, to Amanda's parents. Jill failed English class and had to take summer school after Teresa and Cristina reported her for cheating on the final. Jill is now a firefighter.