

Twelve Chimes

HARD • 9×9 • 8 SUSPECTS



1 **Alice** was next to a bench. Gonzalo was exactly one row south of Alice, and Gonzalo can only be in rows 3 to 7, column 9. There was one man and one woman in the Chapel. **Row 2, column 8**, in the Greenhouse.

2 **Gonzalo** was in the last column. Rule out the rows and columns of Alice. He was exactly one row south of Alice, and Alice is in row 2, column 8. **Row 3, column 9**, in the Greenhouse.

3 **Flora** was in a corner of the Chapel. Rule out the rows and columns of Gonzalo. **Row 6, column 1**, in the Chapel.

4 **Diana**'s card is about others, not about her own square. Rule out the rows and columns of Gonzalo, Alice and Flora. She was exactly one row south of Carmen, and Carmen can only be in row 8, columns 2 to 5. She was the only person next to the fireplace. **Row 9, column 6**, in the Kitchen.

5 **Hector** was on a rug. Rule out the rows and columns of Diana. **Row 5, column 5**, on the Staircase.

6 **Carmen** says nothing about herself. Rule out the rows and columns already taken. Hector was northeast of Carmen, and Hector is in row 5, column 5. Diana was exactly one row south of Carmen, and Diana is in row 9, column 6. By his card, Bruno must be in column 4. **Row 8, column 2**, in the Attic.

7 **Edward** was in the third column. Rule out the rows and columns of Alice, Flora and Diana. **Row 4, column 3**, in the Chapel.

8 **Bruno** was next to a grandfather clock or a cobweb. Rule out the rows and columns of Alice and Carmen. No area was empty. **Row 1, column 4**, in the Portrait Gallery.

9 **Victor**, the victim, has no card. Rule out the rows and columns already taken. **Row 7, column 7**, in the Kitchen.

SOLUTION

The murderer was Diana. - Carmen was lying.

