

THE HUNT

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EXT. VERANDA OF BREVARD - DAWN

Facing the courtyard, a lot of palm trees, crowded and loud music playing. Groups of student gathering at the veranda for a scavenger hunt event.

JERALD, a college freshman, finance major. Tall and skinny with dark brown hair. Gathering with his friends for the event, a little impatient and annoyed. Competitive with sharp blue eyes.

JERALD

They better start the hunt soon, ya  
boy does not have much time.  
(looks at the watch)

ANNETTE, another college freshman. Friend of Jerald, small and cute looking. Has a beautiful smile and a red ribbon headband

ANNETTE

Well I mean it's still 6:58 so we  
have to wait. But I think this  
event will be good like at least it  
seems fun! Besides, we can earn  
participation grade for class so  
it's a win- win for me.

JERALD

It's not just about grades Ann. I  
think you know me enough since  
we've been friends since high  
school. I'm in it to win it. We are  
getting As and winning this hunt  
man.

It is 7pm. There are approximately ten groups of students.  
THE HOST walks to the front, passing clue sheets out and is  
about to explain the rules and clues.

THE HOST

May I have everyone's attention  
please. I have the microphone, I  
have the microphone guys!  
(the crowd is cheering  
with excitement)

THE HOST (CONT'D)

Hello everyone! I am the host and  
thank you everyone for coming to  
the scavenger hunt organized by the  
treasure hunt club tonight.

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## THE HOST (CONT'D)

As we all know y'all can earn participation grade for class and have the chance to win a huge and meaningful prize. Do anyone of y'all know what's the theme of our hunt? Tricky question cause we are not going to tell it. The fun is in the journey and you will all find out soon.

The treasure hunt club members are helping to pass out clues to the participating groups.

## THE HOST (CONT'D)

Seeing every team has their clues, I here announce the start of the scavenger hunt. Be smart and careful guys. The first team back wins, have fun!

Students are running from the veranda towards every single direction. Jerald and Annette's team is the only team that stays in the start.

## JERALD

Hey team, we should figure out all of the locations before we set off so we can do all tasks or whatever we have to do that the spots strategically.

## ANNETTE

I agree. From what I understand from the clues, they are all locations on campus. The clue sheet doesn't say what exactly to so I guess let's figure out all locations and make a route to go all at once.

THOMAS, another college sophomore, teammate of Jerald and Annette. Asian with black short hair, round glasses. Has the nickname of 'big brain'.

## THOMAS

Yeah I was already working on the locations when you guys are talking. We should start with the closest location to the furthest. It is actually a literal circle around campus so we will get back here the veranda of brevard at last.

JERALD

(looks at Thomas's solved  
clues)

Okay team, let's go to Plant Hall  
then. I wonder what we are going to  
find. The organizers have been  
really quiet about the theme and  
prize so I really wanna find it  
out.

ANNETTE

Yeah, I agree with you. I think our  
team is great since we are all  
friends and we see each other!

THOMAS

Yeah Ann, stop your I don't know,  
tiktok references or whatever.

EXT. PLANT HALL - NIGHT

Jerald's team of four walks to Plant Hall for their first  
location for the hunt

Plant Hall, the landmark of the university. Historic  
structure with minarets. Spanish- American looking with a  
sense of gothic style to it.

INT. PLANT HALL - NIGHT

Elegant and classy with a sense of historic beauty. Lightly  
lighted with old fashioned orange lights. Paintings and  
pictures of significant persons of the university's history  
on the wall. There is a bulletin board of recent campus news  
and there is a ripped news from a year ago.

ANNETTE

So, we're here, what do we do now?  
Shall we just look around? You know  
what, I have never been to Plant  
Hall before because I have not have  
classes in here so, shall we just  
wander around?

THOMAS

I would say no but we have to  
figure out the tasks so that is not  
a bad idea. Do you know that Plant  
Hall used to be a hotel before  
becoming an university?

(MORE)

THOMAS (CONT'D)

Plant Hall had once hosted honorable guests such as Teddy Roosevelt, the Queen of England, Booker T. Washington and more. Plant Hall was built between 1888 and 1891 so it is really, historic.

ANNETTE

Wow, this building is old. You know what those old building usually feel like, like from the movies? They are usually haunted and people go there for adventure and need to solve mysteries!

JERALD

Y'all realize that we are in the middle of a competition right? Yeah Ann, why don't we be the one to solve the clues aka mysteries?  
(roll his eyes, little annoyed)

KAT, the last teammate and the only junior in the team. Emo vibes and quiet.

KAT

You do know that people have died in Plant Hall before, right? There were like two suicide cases in some rooms and not to say this building has been around since 1888 and gone through the Spanish-American war.

ANNETTE

Oh, I was joking. Can we switch to another topic?

KAT

(imitating ghost and goes behind Annette)  
Boo! Ah hahahaha!  
(Annette jump scares)

The bulletin board has a piece of ripped news. The date is exactly one year ago from the hunt.

A shadow passed by the team, watching the four students from the second floor.

JERALD

Focus guys. I have found an envelop on the new bulletin board.

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JERALD (CONT'D)

It says to take a group picture on the minarets. We should head up.

ANNETTE

Wait, are we allowed in the minarets though?

JERALD

Let's go check it out.

INT. SECOND FLOOR OF PLANT HALL - NIGHT

A long hallway, doors all closed. Dim lights comparing to the first floor. More paintings and antiques along the hallway.

The team walks up a narrow and creaky steep stairs.

ANNETTE

I really don't like Plant Hall, it's does not pass the vibe check. But we'll get out after a quick picture. The next location is Plant Park, which is bright and pretty, let's stay positive, we're doing amazing guys!

KAT

Whatever, we're almost there.  
(yarns)

THOMAS

One more staircase, follow me.

EXT. THE ROOF AREA/ MINARETS - NIGHT

Cloudy night but bright city lights.

JERALD

Okay, smile guys.

ANNETTE

To our friendship!  
(clicks the camera)

ANNETTE (CONT'D)

Let me check the photo...  
(gasps, crying in fear)Guys! Why is there a laying body in our selfie?