

Francis Burt Law Education Programme



Cluedunnit Kids

Student Guide

Mission Investigate: Have Fun, Ask Questions and Get Creative

Principal Partner



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Cluedunnit Kids: Overview

Mission Investigate: Have Fun, Ask Questions and Get Creative

1. Work as a team and investigate an imaginary criminal offence.
2. **Part 1- Investigation Stage:** Read all the information in the Brief of Evidence, then ask questions (**maximum of 6 per school**) to get more evidence to identify the prime suspect/s and eliminate the other suspects.
3. **Part 2 – Creative Presentation Stage:** Teams then plan, create and submit their findings in a creative way of their own choosing for judging.
4. **Only one entry per school is allowed.** Schools with more than one team must have an in-school competition to determine which presentation will be submitted for judging.





Cluedunnit Kids: **Team Rules/Advice**

1. **7 students maximum** in a team.
2. Give your team a name. Be creative and have fun.
3. **Part 1 - Investigation Stage:** Work as a team, listen and talk to your team about the Brief of Evidence and the questions you are going to ask.
4. **Part 2 – Creative Presentation Stage:** Work as a team, share your ideas, give everyone a role that they are comfortable with and be open to other ideas.





Cluedunnit Kids: Question Rules

1. **Maximum of 6 questions per school.**
2. Schools running an in-school competition have to **share the 6 questions** across the in-school teams.
3. Cluedunnit **questions must be directed to someone.**
4. Cluedunnit **questions must be specific in what they are asking.**
5. Cluedunnit **questions can only request one thing; not multiple things.** *The exception is forensic evidence such as cross referencing a DNA analysis of the three suspects with an item at the crime scene.*
6. Cluedunnit **questions must come from the students.**





Cluedunnit Kids: Question Examples

“Did anyone see anything and what did they see?”



Not a good question and won't be answered. Two very broad questions are asked and this is not allowed. Also, the question is not directed to anyone.

“Can you ask Constable Linus Uppe what Justin Case saw at midnight on the corner of Wright Place and Knot Court, please?”



Great question. Specific in what it asks and directed to a specific person.





Cluedunnit Kids: **More Question Examples**

1. *If there are any witnesses, what did they see or hear?*
Can you ask Sergeant Justin Thyme for a witness statement from the waste recycling truck driver who was traveling on Surf Street, please?
2. *Can we get all of the evidence the police have got?*
Please ask Constable Linus Uppe for the CCTV footage from the crime scene on 14 March.
3. *Whose footprints were outside the driver's side door?*
Can Dr Dee Enay give us a forensic report on the footprints outside the driver's door cross referenced to the suspects' footprints, please?

Please note, if students do not ask a clear specific question directed to a particular person, the Cluedunnit Coordinator will be unable to answer, and that question will be wasted.





Cluedunnit Kids: **Creative Presentation Rules**

1. **Only members of the investigating team can have a speaking role in the submission.** Classmates can be in the background of any video they make but they cannot talk.
2. **Any digital presentation longer than 8 mins will have 2 points deducted for every minute over**, i.e. a 9 min presentation would lose 2 points, a 10 min presentation would lose 4 points.
3. Teachers and older students may provide advice and support to the Cluedunnit students, however **planning and creating the presentation must be led by the Cluedunnit students and it must be their work.**





Cluedunnit Kids: Creative Presentation Rules

4. Gen-AI Technologies

Cluedunnit **students may only use free Gen-AI technologies** in the development of their presentation and **must be transparent and acknowledge the use of such technology and the platform used.**

Students that use free Gen-AI technologies **can only ask it to generate what they describe.** In this situation, the students **must provide the prompts provided in their acknowledgement.**

Students must not generate ideas and/or text using free Gen-AI technologies.

Students who don't use free Gen-AI technologies won't be disadvantaged or marked down.





Cluedunnit Kids: **Creative Presentation Rules and Advice**

The **prime suspect/s in Cluedunnit Kids always plead/s guilty** to the charge/s.

Even though the prime suspect pleads guilty, the **presentation should demonstrate that the accused is thought to be innocent until proven guilty** right up until her/his guilty plea. The Presumption of Innocence is a really important legal principle in Australia.

Reference the three essential legal principles in the presentation: **Presumption of Innocence, Burden of Proof and Standard of Proof.**

Include details on what the prime suspect would be charged with and an appropriate penalty - see the Charges and Sentencing Options resource.

Recreating the scenario is fine and many schools do it, however, remember the judging criteria and the fact that **electronic presentations must be limited to 8 mins maximum in length.**





Cluedunnit Kids: Judging Panel and Criteria

The Cluedunnit Kids judging panel includes representatives from the District Court of WA, the Children's Court of WA, the Magistrates Court of WA, a WA Police Officer, a lawyer from Legal Aid WA, a representative from Curtin Law School and the Law Society President.

Judging Criteria	
Correct identification of suspect	Up to 2 points
Supporting evidence	Up to 10 points
Creativity	Up to 10 points
Application of legal principles	Up to 4 points
Appropriate sentencing	Up to 4 points
TOTAL	30 Points Maximum





Cluedunnit Kids: **Winners**

2025

Joint Winning Presentations

St. Lawrence's Primary School – Geraldton

Newman College

Runner Up Presentations

Frederick Irwin Anglican School





Cluedunnit Kids: **Mission Investigate**

Have Fun, Ask Questions and Get Creative

Now you have all the Cluedunnit Kids information.

In mid-late February, the Brief of Evidence will be posted online and Cluedunnit Kids will kick off.

Get ready to investigate and ask questions to get more evidence to identify the prime suspect/s and eliminate the other suspect/s.

Then, you and your team will plan, create and present your findings in a creative way of your own choosing.

