

MYSTERY OF PIPAL AVENUE

Mystery of Pipal Avenue (MOPA) places your team in the role of investigators, intelligence analysts, and prosecutors across high-stakes criminal investigations. Across three rounds, you will examine evidence, interpret forensic findings, uncover hidden information, and reconstruct events using forensic science, cryptography, intelligence analysis, and logical reasoning. Each round will challenge your team to think critically, adapt quickly, and piece together information under pressure. Success will depend on recognising connections others may overlook and proving your conclusions with evidence.

Delegates per team: 1-3

Round 1 :

Your team will operate as a National Intelligence Task Force responding to an international maritime hostage crisis. You will receive intelligence regarding a hijacked vessel and analyse hostage and pirate profiles, vessel layouts, intercepted communications, surveillance reports, and classified material. As new intelligence emerges, your team must determine locations and movements aboard the vessel, identify vulnerabilities, and respond to the developing situation. Every piece of intelligence may change your understanding of the crisis, testing observation, deduction, analysis, and decision-making under pressure.

Round 2 :

A case once considered closed has been reopened. Your team must investigate the mysterious theft of a valuable historical artefact by examining case files, witness statements, suspect profiles, and forensic evidence. Through investigative challenges and forensic tests such as fingerprint matching, fibre comparison, footprint analysis, and handwriting examination, you will uncover clues, separate coincidence from evidence, and identify the mastermind.
But solving the mystery is only the beginning. Every piece of evidence and conclusion will carry forward into the final round, where you must use everything you have uncovered to reconstruct the crime.

Round 3 :

The investigation is over. Now you have to prove it.

Your Round 2 case follows you directly into the final round. The evidence you recovered, connections you discovered, and mastermind you identified now become the foundation of your case.

Your team must prepare a formal police report and reconstruct the crime before a judicial panel. The judges will challenge your evidence, reasoning, and accusations, forcing you to defend your conclusions. A detail others overlooked may ultimately decide your case.

You found the truth. Now convince the court.