**Tourist Trap Investigation**

**Important note to get you started. As we have touched on in class, crime scene investigators develop a theory of the case based on the evidence they find at the crime scene, initial witness reports, and interviews with people of interest. In this process, evidence is gathered and a decision on what evidence to analyze and in what way. A key part of this is determining who had motive to commit the crime. In order to convict someone in court, there is a burden of proof on prosecutors to prove beyond reasonable doubt that someone committed a crime. Please look up these terms if you are not familiar with them.**

Instructions for Investigation:

1. Go to Crimescene.com. There is a link to this page on the class website
2. Click on the drop down box labeled **Previous Cases** along the top of the page, then scroll down to “Tourist Trap”
3. Read the Case Introduction, clicking on and reading each of the bold highlights for more information.
4. Read the Case Recap- Investigation Day 1, again clicking on each of the bold highlights.
5. After reading day 1 answer the following questions:
6. Who is/are your suspects? What do you believe is the motive for each of them for killing Mr. Warner? What evidence do you have that supports your belief?
7. What evidence would you choose to further analyze? Why and in what way?
8. Which of the witnesses/suspects/persons of interest would you want to ask more questions? What questions would you ask them?
9. Post in Microsoft Teams questions you have and answers to the questions posed. **Please make sure to hit “Reply” on the threads started instead of starting multiple unrelated threads. If you have your own question, please start you own thread to ask that question.**
10. Read Investigation Day 2.
11. How does the evidence and interviews obtained on day 2 change your theory about the case? What suspects are eliminated? What evidence do you have that exculpates them?
12. Who is your suspect? What evidence would you want to use in presenting to them to obtain a confession?
13. I will post the solution on the class website on Wednesday afternoon, along with new instructions for the next investigation.