

The **WITNESS**TM

SOMEBODY'S GOING TO TAKE THE DEEP SIX!

You've got a bird's-eye lowdown on the caper... and 12 hours to crack the case.

Free **A INSIDE!**
A veritable gold mine of clues and evidence you'll need to unravel the crime.

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SOFTWARE FOR YOUR
COMMODORE 64

(15-41 DISK)
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MYSTERY

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"Unlike any other computer adventure in its realism, The WITNESS tests your deductive skills to the limit—every time you play it."

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MS. magazine

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Ken, 34, Teacher,
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BYTE magazine

"Excellent in every respect; very imaginative, absorbing, intellectually stimulating and fun! Great entertainment, super product."

Gary, 35, Banker,
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YOU'RE "in for the kill..." BUT YOU MAY BE LEAVING FEET FIRST!

Los Angeles, 1938: a seething brew of tawdry glamour and ill-gotten glitter, tinsel and tong wars, scandals, speakeasies and skullduggery. But out here in the foothills, listening to the Santa Ana Wind howl its way through canyons that seem continents away from the black-hearted pit of the Big Avocado, a small-town chief police detective like you can almost feel at peace with the world. Almost, but not quite. Because there's something in the wind, something that could turn your tranquil tank town into the newest feature exhibit at Madame Tussaud's.

You've been summoned by telegram to the bungalow of one of the local "pillars of society," a soldier of fortune in need of protection from

the threats of a sleazy writer who has him over the ropes. There's more to this case than meets the eye, however. One stiff has turned up already, and Death is poised to strike again, this time with you as the witness. You'll have just 12 hours to sift through scores of clues, follow up on a dozen leads and give a houseful of suspects the third degree. Your faithful assistant, Sgt. Duffy, who can run errands for you and give advice, will be on the scene. But you alone can persuade the court to render a verdict of guilty by establishing the motive, method and opportunity for the crime. Unless, of course, someone puts you to bed with a shovel first. *Hasta luego*, hawkshaw, and best of luck with your sleuthing.

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Sunset in Echo Park



Hermetically sealed since 1938 inside every WITNESS package: your WITNESS disk, a suicide note, telegram, matchbook, an issue of the Santa Ana Register and the February 1938 Nat'l Detective Gazette.

FEBRUARY 1938, LOS ANGELES. FDR's New Deal is finally rolling. Hitler's rolling, too; this time through Austria. But as Chief Detective for a quiet burgh on the outskirts of L.A., you've got other fish to fry.

One gilt-edged society dame is dead. And now it looks like some two-bit grifter is putting the screws to her multi-millionaire old man. Then you step in, and the shakedown turns ugly. You're left with a stiff and a race against the clock to nail your suspect... unless you get nailed first!

Nobody said a sordid family affair like this was going to be a cinch. Everyone from the knock-out heiress to the poker-faced butler may end up in the slammer before it's over. Ahead of you is a Gordian knot of motives and alibis. And the only testimony you can trust is that of your own eyes—because you are **The WITNESS**.

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