

MIDNIGHT MYSTERY

1930 · Vertical plot chart · 68 minutes, 40 seconds

A storm traps a house party at wealthy Gregory’s home on an island off Cuba. His attempt to scare his fiancée out of writing murder stories gives another guest an opportunity to commit a real murder.

WHO IS WHO

SALLY Mystery novelist. Engaged to Gregory; determined to keep writing.	GREGORY / GREG Wealthy island host. Loves Sally but resents her devotion to writing.	TOM Criminal lawyer. Married to Madeline, but attracted to Sally.	MADELINE Tom’s wife. Having an affair with Misha.	MISHA Pianist and Gregory’s friend. Madeline’s lover.
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Sally ↔ Gregory: engaged · Tom ↔ Madeline: married · Madeline ↔ Misha: lovers



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Full spoilers: later revelations are used to clarify the deceptions. Screenshots are from the film itself.

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