BUCK

(neutral)

What are we supposed to do? I forgot

BARRY

(angry)

Already? Are you kidding me?

BARRY (CONT'D)

(neutral)

Listen carefully Buck! The chief wants us to prove that the victim has been killed by a bird.

BUCK

(neutral)

'cause we're not sure?

BECKY

(neutral)

No, when you make an hypothesis, you have to provide evidence.

BARRY

(neutral)

And if we can, gather info about the victim.

BUCK

(neutral)

I didn't hear dad talk about this...

BECKY

The chief didn't ask for it, but our job is to find ALL the truth about what happened.

BARRY

Don't get too excited lady, we just need a culprit.

BECKY

You're taking me for a rookie aren't you?

BECKY (CONT'D)

Move your winglets, off we go.

AFTER PUDDLE

Les trois canards viennent de trébucher et se sont rattrapés de justesse / sont tombés.

BARRY

Buck! Is it flippers that you have or mittens?!

BUCK

I just slipped! What did I do wrong?

BARRY

First of all you were born, that's a problem

BECKY

(neutral)

Chill Barry! As long as nobody sees us we're safe.

BARRY

(neutral)
We're not safe from breaking a wing

DETECTIVE FIRST

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

Who are you? Have we met before?

BECKY

(neutral)

We are- ... Erm, I am...

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

Hmm . . . ?

though.

BARRY

(angry)

Private eye !

BECKY

(neutral)

QUACK !

La jauge de suspicion du détective augmente d'un cran.

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

I'm sorry what?

BECKY

(surprised)

Quack-ers. Detective Quackers. I'm a private eye on this case.

DETECTIVE

I see... Do you have a warrant?

(surprised)

What?! Ehm... No...

DETECTIVE

Le détective marque un temps.

DETECTIVE (CONT'D)

(neutral)

Well! Go in anyways. We're colleagues, we ought to help each other innit?

BECKY

(neutral)
Yeah ahah... Colleagues...

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

Careful not to trip on that police tape over there.

DETECTIVE NEUTRAL

DETECTIVE

Need a palm, colleague?

BECKY

(surprised)

A-a palm?!

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

You've never heard this? That's an expression from where I come from.

BECKY

(neutral)

Nobody says that

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

I do.

YELLOW FEATHERS

BARRY

No doubt, the culprit is a bird, case closed.

BECKY

(surprised)

Wait Barry! You're going a bit too fast!

BARRY

(neutral)

Never fooled me in my career.

BARRY (CONT'D)
Yellow feathers, yellow bird, let's not pussyfoot around for three years.

BUCK

I agree with Becky, you're going too fast.

BECKY

See?

BUCK

Maybe the culprit is a human that plucked a bird to hide their trail!

BECKY

(surprised)

What? No! Quiet now, let's move on.

BUTCHER FEATHERS

BARRY

Feathers? Again?

BECKY

I swear I have seen those somewhere.

BARRY

You mean you have already seen a BIRD with FEATHERS?!

BECKY

I don't know if that's related, but I worked on a guy called the Butcherbird once, ever heard of him?

BARRY

Absolutely

BARRY (CONT'D)

Not.

BECKY

He might be the culprit. He is the only bird I know with those kind of feathers.

POSTER

BUCK

(neutral)

I-is that a caged bird?! That's horrible!

BARRY

It's a tough job we do. You have to prepare to see the worst things...

BEAK MARKS 1

BECKY

Buck! Move your rump, I can't see a
thing!

BUCK

(neutral)

I'm doing what I can, you're heavy!

Repeat

BECKY

I see a clue but it's too high to examinate.

BEAK MARKS 2

BARRY

Looks like a bird scratched that wall with its beak.

BUCK

I couldn't do that if I tried...

BECKY

(neutral)

Hm...

WALLET

BARRY

He has his prisoner's picture in his wallet... What a psycho.

BUCK

Gives me goosebumps.

FEATHERS ON DETECTIVE

DETECTIVE

Did you see those feathers on the corpse? It's weird isn't it?

So what?

DETECTIVE

I know exactly what happened.

BECKY

(surprised) R-really?!

Repeat

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

The victim has been killed with a pillow, no doubt.

BECKY

(neutral) Elementary...

DETECTIVE REPEAT

DETECTIVE

(neutral)

The victim has been killed with a pillow, no doubt.

BECKY

(neutral)

Elementary...

MAIL BOX

BECKY

Ugh! I hate mail!

BARRY

Why? You can't write?

BECKY

It's a waste of time! Sort through the mail, reading it... Besides, it's none of your business!

BIRD PUB 1

BIRD

Chirp... Chirp chirp... (Go away bloody human)

BUCK

We are birds too!

BIRD

Did your feet just talk?!

BARRY

(angry)

Buck! We're undercover for bird's sake!

BIRD

Your belly?!

BECKY

It's... Complicated

BIRD

I'm gonna need a drink...

BECKY

We work undercover for the bird police.

BIRD

You mean, the regular police?

BECKY

Yeah, of course. Do you have any information about the crime?

BIRD

It might have something to do with Big Crow in my opinion.

BARRY

You mean, THE Big Crow, the mafia boss?

BIRD

No, Big Crow the singer.

BUCK

There's a singer called Big Crow?!

BIRD

sigh

BIRD (CONT'D)

We often see his minions in our pub. I saw him once, he rarely comes in person for jobs.

BECKY

Do you know why they come here?

BIRD

Usually to party, or discuss seeds trafficking.

BIRD PUB 2

BIRD

No human can get in the pub.

BUCK

But we are three ducks under a trench coat, I told you!

BIRD

Oh, it changes everything.

BUCK

Oh?

BIRD

No ducks can get in the pub.

BUCK

What?!

BIRD PUB 3

BECKY

Why are we here Buck?!

BUCK

I wanted the guy to repeat what he said, I forgot...

BIRD

Are you guys for real?

BIRD (CONT'D)

Big Crow, the mafia boss, has some of his minions come into our bar to discuss seeds trafficking.

BIRD (CONT'D)

He rarely comes himself though. He usually sends Lil Crow to do the job.

BECKY

Who's that Lil Crow?

BARRY

His sidekick. Not many people know him.

DOORBELL 1

DOORBELL

Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

DOORBELL (CONT'D)

... But nobody came

DOORBELL 2

DOORBELL Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

DOORBELL (CONT'D)

... No one, again

DOORBELL 3

DOORBELL Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

DOORBELL (CONT'D)

... Still no one

DOORBELL 4

DOORBELL

Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

BUCK

Do you they'll eventually open?

DOORBELL 5

DOORBELL

Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

BARRY

Open up! It's the police!

DOORBELL

Nothing happens

DOORBELL 6

DOORBELL

Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

BECKY

(neutral)

Guys, can we please concentrate on our investigation?

DOORBELL 7

DOORBELL

Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

DOORBELL (CONT'D)

A voice emanates from inside.

DOORBELL

You'll never get me! You'll never know where the body is hidden!

BECKY

. . .

BECKY (CONT'D)
One investigation at a time, alright?

DOORBELL 8

DOORBELL

Riiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii

BECKY

I think it's no use to keep ringing.

Dialogues d'hypothèses valides

NOPE

BECKY

This doesn't make any sense.

VICTIM KILLED BY BIRD

BECKY

With the evidence we found, it's quite obvious.

BARRY

We got a culprit, let's call it a day.

BUCK

It's pretty lame, we don't know who they are.

BECKY

Right? I'm sure we could find a hint towards who this bird is...

VICTIM KILLED BY ANNIE

BARRY

Classic mobile: Annie was sick of being a prisoner. She rebelled. We got our culprit.

That makes sense, but that's so weird. Never a domestic bird killed a human before.

VICTIM KILLED BY CROW

BECKY

Why would Big Crow attack a human?

BUCK

I bet it has to do with seeds. I could kill anyone for a snack.

BECKY

Ahah silly Buck!

BUCK

I could slit their throat and burn their house, if they didn't HAND. THAT. SNACK.

BARRY

Woaw... Chill out Buck...

BECKY

I guess it makes sense... But maybe we could look around more in case we missed something?

VICTIM KILLED BY BUTCHERBIRD

BARRY

What? How does this make any sense?

BECKY

Hear me out Barry. What if the feathers found on the crime scene were decoy?

BUCK

The koy is a kind of fish right? I could get some fish right now...

BECKY

De-coy, Buck! They were placed there purposefully.

BECKY (CONT'D)

I thought I'd never meet Butcherbird again... I'm not sure I can keep going with this investigation...

BUCK

Why?

I used to work on a case about the Butcherbird. I was trying to prove he was a hitman working for Big Crow.

BECKY (CONT'D)

I received threats, so I quit. And I looked like a fool to the other journalists. One of my biggest failures.

BARRY

Don't worry duckling. We'll get him.

BUTCHERBIRD PAINTED FEATHERS

BARRY

Painted feathers, to cover a crime...

BECKY

Which leads to only one possible outcome about who killed the victim...

WRONG PROOF GENERIC

BECKY

This makes sense, but the proof doesn't hold.

Dialogues d'hypothèses invalides

UNKNOWN BIRD INVALID

BECKY

Maybe we're onto something? But I'm sure we can find who that unknown bird is.

ANNIE NOT DEAD

BECKY

I don't think Annie is dead.

CROW NOT DEAD

BARRY

If Big Crow was dead, I would have heard of it.

GENERIC INVALID

BECKY

I don't see how that would be possible.

GENERIC NOT RELEVANT

BECKY

This isn't relevant.

PAINTED PICTURE

BECKY

I don't know, looks like an actual photo to me.

BUCK

What if they're really good at painting?

BARRY

We don't care Buck! For duck's sake!

PAINT PAINT

BUCK

Can you paint paint?

BARRY

What?

BUCK

You can paint lots of things, but can you paint "paint"

BECKY

We don't have time for this Buck!

BUCK

If you were to paint paint, what color would it be?

BECKY

BUCK!

PAINT BEAK MARKS

BECKY

Those beak marks are pretty real, they're not painted.

BUCK

Is that what you call "normal
maps"?

PAINT SEEDS

BUCK

I hope they didn't! I want to eat those things after we're done!

BARRY

You're not supposed to eat evidence...

BIRD OWNER

BUCK

I've always dreamt to own a shop. But a seed's shop... That would be quite the life...

BECKY

You know you're supposed to SELL seeds, in order to keep your shop running?

BUCK

Details!

BIRD SHOPS

BUCK

Unfortunately, us bird cannot shop freely in those god-sent shops. For we are doomed to the secret, and unable to provide seeds for our own selves.

BECKY

What?!