

[Driving] You <sup>are John</sup> and your friend Dave have come to James's home for his party. Dave's old Honda, and other cars + a pickup truck are here. James's home, <sup>Dave,</sup> to the north, is the only building in sight.

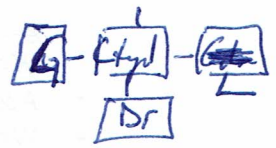
THE RETREAT  
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ask J about James - ~~cool~~, but a bit paranoid. Only met wife once.  
ask about party - I think Tom is coming  
disaster - I have no idea what's coming. No one seems to.  
house - James spends all his time repairing the house  
car - I should get a new one.  
Tom - I met him last yr. Eccentric, but good guy.

Nightfall

n [Courtyard] table + benches, garden E, lawn W, drive S. (description mixed up with W)  
I introduce you to wife Mary + cat Tabby. Alice + Mike are in garden, Tom by lawn.

I is outdoors; Mary appears indoors  
ask J about house, house (security + air filtration), Mary. [leaves for refreshments; types number on keypad]  
ask Mary about refreshments (You can't reach into the kitchen.), garden (Mary's)  
ask Tom about himself, grass.  
ask Dave about Alice (didn't know), party (things should pick up when I bring the drinks)



[Garden] flowers, succulents, Alice, Mike.

ask Alice about herself, us, Mike, marriage, party, Tom, garden, James, Mary, Tabby, Dave  
Mike about himself (lawyer), Alice, bookstore  
Alice about bookstore (that's where we met), party, James (has wine), Tabby (not a cat person)  
Mike about disaster, lawn (a game), garden  
Alice about disaster, grass.

e. take glass. drink glass [proximity hangs; into the hole]  
n. [Poyer] see James, Mary, Tom, Mike, Tabby. {Dave + Alice are missing}  
ask Mike about Alice (Mike runs out to save Alice, Tom runs out to save Dave)

5. [Cltyd] Mike tries to save Alice, Tom tries to save Dave  
(in garden) (in lawn)

e. take Dave. [Foyer] Alice + Mike must be dead. {front rack, ~~the~~ row house N}  
5. {James has sealed the door.} N. [Living Room] sofa, table E mags, bedroom E, study W, Dining + Kit N.

[Study] bookcase, chair // on entry to Dining Room (gas! outside sealed field! into the study!)

kick Tabby. take Tabby. d. [Shelter] {Tom is missing} food, mattress.