

FATHER JEROME – Book 4
The Mechanic
Detailed Character Descriptions

Name

Father Jerome

Gender

Male

Age

60 years old

Height and Weight

5 ft. 11 in. / 185 lbs.

Appearance/Body Type

A little on the heavy side. Jolly good fellow

Profession

Parish priest (Catholic)

Education

Dr. in theology from the University of Winnipeg.

Intelligence

Above average

Ethnic Background

Caucasian

Childhood

Raised on Vancouver Island by a fisherman's family.

Environment

Village - countryside

Health

Perfect health

Dreams

Increase the number of parishioners in the region.

Need/Purpose

Needs to keep his flock happy and content.

Care

He cares for the children growing in the church community.

Fear

Not enough funding for the upkeep of the church grounds.

Flaws

Speaks his mind once too often.

Idiosyncrasies

Loves going fishing with the children of the parish.

How others view the character

Discreet, reliable, extremely diligent, honest to a fault and direct.

Brief Summary

Father Jerome is the perfect example of the parish priest. He is attentive to his parishioners' needs. He loves to find the truth about anything and everything. He is not nosy but will not leave matters alone until he gets the answers to his queries. He is pig-headed when it comes to ferret out information about people. He will stop and drop everything any time his help is needed. He loves a good mystery and will

assist any police officer if and when needed during an investigation. Faced with a case of sabotage and the murder of his mechanic, Father Jerome does not stop at what may be evident to others, he searches for the truth behind the suppositions and suspicions.

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Name

Mildred Garnet

Gender

Female

Age

45

Height and Weight

5 ft. 6 in. / 155 lbs.

Appearance/Body Type

On the heavy side. Standing proud

Profession

Mechanic – manages her own garage.

Education

Mechanic apprenticeship.

Intelligence

Average

Ethnic Background

Caucasian

Childhood

Strict upbringing in religious household.

Environment

Village and small town girl

Health

Fair to middling

Dreams

To leave Qualicum Beach and retired in Hawaii.

Need/Purpose

To teach her apprentice, Black Bear, all she knows so the boy could take over the business some day.

Care

She cares about her work and keeping her clients happy.

Fear

She fears to find herself alone without a cent to her name.

Flaws

Bossy and demanding.

Idiosyncrasies

Loves to drive at night.

How Others View the Character

Very helpful to anyone in need. Kind-hearted but sometimes a little bossy. Doesn't like to waste time on chit-chat or gossips.

Brief Summary

Before her untimely death, Mildred Garnet was an *excellent* woman in every sense of the word. She was conscientious, attentive to her customers' needs and paid particular attention to Black Bear's learning progress. She bought her garage from an old man who was unable to continue working on any of the

cars brought to the garage. He had to surrender to arthritis far too young. Mildred, on the other hand, took particular pride in her job from the moment she re-opened the shop. She cared for the cars she maintained and would not shy from giving a client some lip if the person was ill-treating his or her vehicle.

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Name

Leon Summerville (a.k.a. Black Bear)

Gender

male

Age

17 years old

Height and Weight

6 ft. / 190 lbs.

Appearance/Body Type

Heavy set, athletic

Profession

Apprentice mechanic

Education

High school certificate

Intelligence

Above average

Ethnic Background

Cree Indian

Childhood

Lived with his father, an Elder of his tribe, until he finished high school. Moved to Qualicum Beach when he received his sponsored apprenticeship with Mildred.

Environment

Country/ Indian Reservation

Health

Excellent

Dreams

To race in the Indy 500

Need/Purpose

Keep focusing on his work and on learning to become the best mechanic in the region.

Care

He cares about his family – especially his father. He looks up to him.

Fear

Being victimized for being a Cree Indian.

Flaws

Liable to fly into a rage if menaced (hence the name: Black Bear).

Idiosyncrasies

Loves to watch nature programs on TV.

How Others View the Character

Reliable, studious, intelligent and quiet. Dedicated to working hard at his chosen trade.

Brief Summary

An Indian child born on the reservation, Black Bear grew up into a fine young man. He finished high school early thanks to being the “brainy kid” in the class. He is a loner. Hates parties where he feels like

an outsider, but will enjoy any sort of gathering when it comes to camping or trekking through the mountains. Black Bear is respected in the village for being a boy with a good head on his shoulders. He has seen the devastation alcohol can bring to Indian tribes or Caucasian folks alike, and there's no way Black Bear will touch a drop of "that stuff".

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Name

Detective Inspector Damien

Gender

Male

Age

31 years old

Height and Weight

5 ft. 10 in. / 155 lbs.

Appearance/Body Type

Athletic and muscular

Profession

Detective Inspector with the South Vancouver Island Constabulary

Education

Vancouver Police Academy

Intelligence

Average

Ethnic Background

Caucasian

Childhood

Robert grew up on Vancouver Island. The latest member in a family of cops – from grandfather, father, uncle and himself.

Environment

Suburban

Health

Perfect health

Dreams

To retire in California.

Need/Purpose

Run every investigation properly and thoroughly, believing in the evidence.

Care

He cares to carry out every investigation as best he can.

Fear

To miss a fact, an important item during an investigation, which could lead to the conviction of the wrong felon.

Flaws

Does not express his thoughts clearly. Has a tendency to be long winded.

Idiosyncrasies

Goes sailing with his uncle every chance he gets.

How others view the character

Honest cop. Loves to sail. Likes details. Rather shy when it comes to explain something.

Brief Summary

Robert Damien has been a detective for only a few years, but his experience seems to drive him to elucidating little mysteries or dilemma rather quickly. He is always after evidence and facts. He hates to exert any sort of energy on suspicion or rumors. He loves the little bit of proof that will drive the case to a proper conclusion. He loves to listen to the witnesses of any of the crimes he investigates, but has zero tolerance for hearsay or suppositions.

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