

The Ghost

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- 1 1 McAra had drowned. His body had been found at Lambert's Cove, in the USA.
- 2 McAra was helping Adam Lang write his memoirs. He had also worked with Lang when he was prime minister. It was thought that McAra committed suicide.
- 3 Adam Lang.
- 4 To take over McAra's job.
- 5 He knew nothing about politics. He did not want to be Lang's ghostwriter.
- 6 She thought that Lang was a war criminal. Publishing his memoirs would make him richer.

- 2 1 He was very experienced and would be able to find the 'real' Lang.
- 2 He did not want Lang to be treated as a celebrity.
- 3 It had to be finished in a month. It had to be done in the USA.
- 4 The memoirs must be secret. He was also sure that McAra had not committed suicide.
- 5 He gave the ghostwriter a friend's manuscript to read. On the way home, the manuscript was stolen.
- 6 To check whether the ghostwriter could leave for the USA on Sunday. He surprised him by saying that they would pay him \$250,000.

- 3 1 It was suggested that Lang had ordered the men – suspected terrorists – to be given to the CIA.
- 2 The ghostwriter suggested that Kroll had given him the parcel to see whether it would be stolen by an American who wanted to see Lang's manuscript. Rick laughed because he thought the idea was crazy.
- 3 He took a bus to the ferry at Woods Hole and the ferry took him to Vineyard Haven. From there, he took a taxi to his hotel at Edgartown.
- 4 Amelia Bly was the spokeswoman for Adam Lang. She was smart and attractive. She was in charge of the office where the ghostwriter would work.
- 5 She gave him a copy of the manuscript, but said he had to keep it in that room.
- 6 He thought that it was a bad book – false all the way through.
- 7 She thought that there was something wrong with Adam Lang. He was not happy about losing power.
- 8 He came in a private jet with the name Hallington written on the side.
- 9 The writer said that he was Lang's 'ghost'. Only dead people have a ghost.

- 4 1 He thought that the manuscript was bad. McAra had researched the book in Cambridge, where the Lang papers were kept.
- 2 Amelia thought that McAra had committed suicide because he had been tired and depressed.
- 3 She told him that she had met someone else.
- 4 The man was asking questions about Lang that the ghostwriter did not feel should be answered.

- 5 1 The ghostwriter used a mini-recorder and his laptop.
 2 She had loaded Michael McMara's manuscript onto a Memory Stick.
 3 He never went into a shop or carried any money. People bought things for him.
 4 He said he had become interested in politics after he left Cambridge. Ruth had visited him to talk about the local elections and he had fallen in love with her.
 5 He decided to join the same political party, so that he could see Ruth.
 6 He had wanted to be a successful actor.
 7 He sent himself an email of the manuscript, so that he could work in his hotel.
 8 It made Lang into an actor, not a politician.
 9 He remembered that Ruth had said that there was something not quite right about Adam Lang and he agreed with her.
- 6 1 Rycart, Ex-Foreign Secretary, had asked the ICC to investigate reports about Lang illegally giving the suspected terrorists to the CIA.
 2 She told everyone to switch off all the phones and check all the TV and radio reports.
 3 He realized that Amelia and Lang were in love.
 4 Ruth told Amelia to get Sidney Kroll, the lawyer, on the phone.
 5 She was pleased by what the ghostwriter had written to support Lang.
 6 He wanted the book to be finished in two weeks, while people were interested in Lang.
 7 He decided to work in his hotel. Amelia warned him not to take the manuscript with him.
 8 The president of the United States.
 9 Because the email with the memoirs on it was not there.
- 7 1 It had been used by McAra and still had his clothes in it.
 2 Lang would be investigated for war crimes.
 3 Because the USA did not accept the ICC as a court of law.
 4 He advised Lang to stay in the USA. He would be safest in Washington.
 5 She thought people would think that Lang was running away.
 6 Ruth is accusing them of being lovers.
- 8 1 He decided to start writing.
 2 He found an envelope containing photographs of Lang and his friends in Cambridge.
 3 Lang had joined the Labour party two years before he met Ruth. So his story about falling in love with her and then becoming interested in politics was a lie.
 4 Richard Rycart.
 5 Nine days before he died.
 6 He decided to cycle to Lambert's Cove, where McAra had died.
 7 There had been lights on the beach before the body appeared. The woman who told the police about them later fell down stairs and would probably die.

- 8 Ruth.
- 9 Why was McAra on the ferry?
- 10 That McAra was going to see Rycart, in New York.
- 9 1 He found that there were very few mentions of Ruth.
- 2 Lang was with the US Secretary of State, who praised him for his work on the War on Terror. Then Rycart spoke sadly about justice.
- 3 Because he had decided he would not be a successful actor.
- 4 If Lang had done anything illegal, she would divorce him.
- 5 The satellite navigation system directed him.
- 6 He thought that they would tell him where McAra had gone on his last trip.
- 10 1 He had reached Paul Emmett's house.
- 2 Paul Emmett had been one of the people in the Cambridge photograph.
- 3 A letter from the Arcadia Institution.
- 4 No, he had not.
- 5 In Colorado, at the Aspen Institute.
- 6 He found out that Emmett had been Arcadia's first president. Lang had visited the Arcadia Institution and had been appointed as a consultant.
- 7 Hallington had been written on the private jet that had brought Lang to the airport. One of the company's jets had taken the suspected terrorists to a secret base in Poland. Its jets were used to carry prisoners all over the world.
- 8 That Emmett was a member of the CIA.
- 9 Richard Rycart.
- 11 1 He told him to fly to meet him at once.
- 2 He met Rycart who told him that McAra had had important information for him, but could not tell him about it on the phone. McAra, who had sounded very depressed, died before he had met Rycart.
- 3 He knew that explained why Lang was so pro-American.
- 4 Rycart had had all the interview taped. He said that the ghostwriter was now not working for Lang, but for him.
- 12 1 He agreed to meet Lang at his hotel.
- 2 He asked Lang questions and recorded his answers.
- 3 Lang had been told that he could live safely in America. Washington would say that no British people had anything to do with the capture of the suspected terrorists.
- 4 He said that it worked and was sometimes necessary.
- 5 He realized that the ghostwriter had told someone the truth about the CIA.
- 6 When he found out that the ghostwriter had told Rycart the truth.
- 7 He was blown up.

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- 1 George Boxer, a retired Army officer, who blamed Lang for the death of his son in Iraq and his wife by terrorists.
 - 2 To finish the memoirs.
 - 3 She was delighted with it.
 - 4 Amelia Bly.
 - 5 She said that there was not enough about Ruth in it.
 - 6 They thought that there might be something dangerous to national security in it.
 - 7 He wanted to find out if there was a hidden message.
 - 8 That Ruth had been a CIA agent.
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- 1 He thought that he had been murdered.
 - 2 When he looked again at the old Cambridge photograph.
 - 3 He was afraid that he would be killed too.
 - 4 He sent Kate his manuscript. If something happened to him, she must try to get it published.