



1 to run over -  
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2 case file - Fallakte

CASE NO.	DATE	CLASS
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CASE NAME		
Car crash		
OFFICERS		

Dear detectives,  
there is a new case that you have to solve:

**What happened?**

- Rachel Hutchinson was run over<sup>1</sup> by a car. She died in the accident.
- It happened at night. Rachel was run over on a dark, lonely street.
- The question is: Who was driving the car that hit her?

In the case file<sup>2</sup> you'll find these documents:

• General information on the case	• Chat history
• Statements	• (Language) support
• Pictures	

**Tasks**

Step I: All team members read the documents in the file.

Step II: After you have read the case file: Discuss the case in your group (in English).

Tip: You can use the "(Language) support" for the discussion in your group.

Step III: Solve the case and fill out the document with the solutions on the last page of the file.

Step IV: Present your results in class.

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## a. General information on the case

### 1. What happened?

- Rachel Hutchinson was run over<sup>3</sup> by a car and died.
- It happened at night after Rachel had left the pub "The Grey Crow".
- Julius Altman found Rachel in the street and called the police.

### 2. Pictures

a. Robinson Road



c. Rachel Hutchinson



b. Rearview mirror<sup>4</sup> found at the crime scene<sup>5</sup>



### 3. Date/time of death

14th March, around 01:45 a.m.

### 4. Place of death

Robinson Road, London

### 5. Who was at the crime scene?

- Julius Altman found Rachel Hutchinson.
- Nobody else was seen at the crime scene.

### 6. Evidence<sup>6</sup>

- There were no braking marks<sup>7</sup> on the street.
- A broken rearview mirror was found at the crime scene.

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4 rearview mirror -  
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5 crime scene - Tatort  
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7 braking mark -  
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## b. Statements, report and chat history

### 1. Statements

#### S T A T E M E N T 1

##### Julius Altman

I'm the one who found her. I'm still shocked! I came from the pub ... I had watched the football match with my friends and was on my way home. And then I saw her lying in the street. It was just terrible! I called the police immediately. The worst thing about it is that I knew her. Rachel works ... well, worked at "The Grey Crow". And the person who ran her over just left, what a monster!



She was such a pretty, funny and lovely woman. I really liked her and tried to flirt with her. I found her on Instagram and sent her some messages on the app. But she never answered ... I guess I just wasn't her type.

#### S T A T E M E N T 2

##### Marc Branson, husband

I'm so sad and shocked! Those drunk football fans took my wife from me! I'm sure that one of them killed her. There is not much I can tell you about what happened. Well, we talked on the phone before she went to work. She wanted to make me my favourite breakfast today - French toast. And now she is gone forever. She will never make me French toast again. (cries)



Sorry ... it's just too much for me right now. Can I please go? I need to be with family. I wish my mother could pick me up, but her Porsche is still at the garage<sup>8</sup>. But maybe she has got a rental car<sup>9</sup>. I'll call her right away.

8 garage -  
Autowerkstatt  
9 rental car -  
Mietwagen



### 3. Instagram messages sent to Rachel Hutchinson, sent by Julius Altman

05/02 – 8:23 a.m.

@julius\_alt.: Hey Rachel, it was nice to see you at the pub last night. How are you doing?

17/02 – 1:23 p.m.

@julius\_alt.: Hey Rachel, are you working tonight? Love to see you at the pub.

04/03 – 11:45 a.m.

@julius\_alt.: Too bad that we didn't get the chance to talk last night. Maybe next time.

13/03 – 11:33 p.m.

@julius\_alt.: Are you even interested? You smiled at me – in my world that means flirting.

14/03 – 01:15 a.m.

@julius\_alt.: I've had enough. There are a lot of women who want me – I don't need ignorant girls like you. Go to hell, Rachel!

### c. Additional statements and chats (1)

#### 1. Chat between Rachel Hutchinson and Jane Branson (found on R. Hutchinson's phone)

Fri 13/03

Good evening, Rachel, I'm going to pick you up from work tonight. There are so many drunk football fans in town. Let's meet on Robinson Road. You can text me when you are done. Jane B. • 09:49 p.m.

Fri 13/03

Hi Jane, that's nice. It's the seventh time this year that there are football fans in town. Why are you worried this time? Rachel H. • 09:54 p.m.

Fri 13/03

That's so typical of you. Can't you just accept that you have a nice mother-in-law<sup>15</sup>? I don't know why my boy likes you but I'm trying to make the best of it – and that is why I'm nice. Jane B. • 10:14 p.m.

Fri 13/03

OK, OK. I don't want any trouble. It's very kind of you to pick me up. See you later. Rachel H. • 10:34 p.m.

Sat 14/03

Hey Jane, I'm done and I'm going to be on Robinson Road in 5 minutes. Rachel H. • 01:24 p.m.

Sat 14/03

Wonderful! See you in a couple of minutes. Jane B. • 01:29 p.m.

15 mother-in-law –  
Schwiegermutter