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To begin at the beginning:

It is autumn, glorious sunlit afternoon in the small town.

I have just come from a meeting with the owner of the company and as it overran, I am now close to being late for a romantic luncheon with my wife. In my briefcase, I am carrying the secret formula and am feeling a little uneasy with the responsibility of keeping hold of it for the next few hours out in the real world. I am therefore quite happy to bump into a colleague who had nipped to town but is now returning to the office. He kindly agrees to take it back with him and return it to the safe where it belongs. He puts it into his bag, a little casually for my liking if I'm honest, and heads back.

And that's where the story should end. But what happens next is a mystery to me. After a lovely meal and a glass of wine, I return to the office and don't give that formula a second thought. Not until just after the weekend that is. Until the Monday morning where I walk in to find the self same colleague who had helped me out lying on the floor next to his desk, no longer living proof that hangovers and early morning power supply repairs simply don't mix.

I don't know why it prompts me but I head straight to the safe where I realise my fear. My sickening fear. The responsibility for that formula was mine and the person I want to blame is unable to corroborate my version of events. I am very deeply in it. But on the plus side, no-one else knows and no-one will open that safe looking for that formula for a good few months yet.

Unfortunately, a few months on and the mystery remains. I don't know enough about the guy and can't go digging for answers with the other guys as they'll know something is up. All I have to go on are the contents of a memory stick found with his body.



<http://public.logica.com/~ath/current/hunt/files.zip>

In the meantime, the boss has sold out and I am pretty sure that the new bosses will want to see the formula when they take over on the 20th of January. I need your help and I need it by last thing on the 19th January.

Thanks,

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