

## The Emerald Stapler

On August 14, 2016, in a tenth grade English classroom, a pure emerald stapler was stolen at 6:47 pm. Mrs. Merton, the owner of the stapler, was frantic. She told the sheriff, Tyler Jones, about the stapler.

My name is Molly Sanders, and this is the story of the stolen emerald stapler.

Joseph Smith wanted to check out the local high school open house. When we arrived, Joseph told me that he was going to wander around and check out the 10th grade English classroom, because back in the day, he loved 10th grade English.

An hour later, Joseph returned. I said, "Ready to go?". Then we left, with a mysterious box in his hand. But I knew what it was. He asked if we could stop by the Post Office. He put a label with a secret address on the box, then shipped the box. With the box shipped, we both sighed in relief.

Back at the school, Mrs. Merton notices that her stapler is gone. She decides to look for it first. But, she could not find it, so she decides to tell the other teachers attending the open house about the lost stapler. The police was called.

Meanwhile, at the police station, they received 14 calls from Eastern High School. Every call was frantically spoken, with words about a missing and/or stolen emerald stapler. Each officer was on the case, and they had an idea of who stole it.

At our house, we saw a padded envelope at our doorstep. We knew what it was!

## Clues

At the crime scene, there lay a small heart drawing with water smudged words, but the police could only make out the letters "J+M".

Lola Rose Jones, the detective, and attending the open house, caught a glimpse of a figure walking down a hallway.

News from the black market headquarters stated that a delivery arriving on 8/16/16 coming from someone with an initial of "S".

## Mystery Solve Sheet

As you may have figured out, the thief was Joseph Smith. He had sold the stapler on the black market for \$500,000,000. Although, Joseph was caught and arrested he had escaped. The couple, with \$500,000,000 in their possession, move to the black market headquarters to work there full time.