## The Westing Game  
**By Ellen Raskin**

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| 1-18 | **Chapter 1  Sunset Towers**  
On the 4th of July a 62 year old delivery boy gave letters to tenants to be signed by an nonexistent Barney Northrup. The invited the 6 families to be a part of Sunset towers, which was not a tower and was not facing the sunset. Barney goes about renting out all the apartments each time telling them this is the last apartment and it is perfect for them. He starts with Grace and Dr. Jake Wexler (He also rented the office for his practice), then Sydelle Pulaski, a secretary who wanted a place of her own. 2C Flora Baumback(dressmaker, pudgy, old, grey), 2D and Lobby for a coffee shop, Theodorakis. 3C went to S. Pulaski, 3D Wexler, 4C Hoo, 4D J.J. Ford (judge, tall, black woman ) and 5 was Shin Hoo’s Restaurant. These people were a dressmaker, a secretary, an inventor, a doctor, a judge, a bookie, a burglar, a bomber and one was a mistake.  
**Chapter 2  Ghost or Worse**  
A no trespassing sign was on the north side of the building. Sept. 1, everyone moved in. Sept. 2 Mr. Hoo opened his restaurant and only had 3 people come. Everyone was happy to live there, but Mr. Hoo.  
In October, Sandy McSouthers (doorman), Theo Theodorakis, Doug Hoo(high school track star), Otis Amber (62 year old delivery boy) and Turtle Wexler notice smoke coming from the Westing house’s chimney. Westing was supposed to be in the South Seas on a private island. Otis tells of a story where Westing is rotting on an Oriental rug. Sandy is content to hear it since he had been fired from the Westing mill after 20 years of work. A story happening one year ago on Halloween is recounted. A kid bet a dollar for another kid to go into the Westing house for 5 minutes. One left in seconds screaming and he went off a cliff, the other came out screaming, “Purple waves” with his hands covered in blood and is now in the asylum. Chris Theodorakis saw Theo make the same bet with Turtle. Chris also saw a figured limp into the Westing house that afternoon as he was bird watching.  
**Chapter 3  Tenants In and Out**  
Who is the bomber and the burglar?  
What is wrong with Chris?  
Who went into the Westing house?  
Was it an intruder?  
How does Mrs. Wexler’s attitude toward Turtle effect how Turtle acts to her mom and others?  
Do you think | Character development | Deckle edge (4) |
Flora, Grace and Angela Wexler (who was being fitted for a wedding dress to marry a doctor) notice smoke coming from the Westing house too. Turtle runs up to tell her mom about the smoke and gets lectured. She asks Flora to hem her witches costume. Her mom is upset that Turtle even asks. Mrs. Wexler decides to find a housewarming gift and take it to the Westing house. Mr. Wexler removes a corn from Mrs. Crow (cleaning lady) as she notices the smoke. She also has a bruise on her shin from Mr. Wexler’s daughter Turtle. J.J. Ford gets home and Sandy gives her a salute. Sydelle comes home from her secretary job and is ignored. As she unlocks several deadbolts to her apartment she thinks about how tired she is of being ignored, but knows they will all notice her soon as she pulls out 4 crutches and some paints.

What do you think Mrs. Crow’s occupation is?

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Chapter 4 The Corpse Found
Halloween came and Turtle went into the house as Doug timed her outside. Turtle took her mother’s silver cross, a flashlight, 2 sandwiches and Sandy’s flask full of orange pop. She was in 12 minutes when she came out screaming something about, “Purple.” She couldn’t sleep that night, but woke up to the front page of the newspaper reporting that Sam Westing was found dead tucked in his 4 poster bed. The paper tells of Sam being from immigrant parents; saving his money to start the paper mill; establishing Westingtown; loving to shoot fireworks at the 4th of July; his daughter, Violet, drowning on the eve of her wedding; his wife leaving; getting sued over the paper diaper; surviving a car crash and then disappearing for 13 years.

At noon, Otis brought 16 people letters from E.J. Plum inviting them to the Westing house for the will reading.

Chapter 5 Sixteen Heirs
Everyone shows up at the Westing house plus Dr. Deere, Mrs. Crow, but not Theo and Chris’s parents – not invited. As Grace walks up to the house she tells Angela that they might be able to have the wedding here. She also wonders where her silver cross is. Sydelle walks in late with purple-striped crutches telling everyone she is dying from a wasting disease.

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<td>E.J. Plum introduces himself and reads the will. He states that all present are nieces and nephews and that he was murdered by someone in the room. He also states that one shall be their heir after a “game” is played.</td>
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<td>Everyone moved into the game room and was partnered. Everyone there with their partner received $10,000. Mrs. Hoo and Mr. Wexler were gone so they forfeited. Turtle and Flora were the second pair, then Chris and D Denton Deere, Sandy McSouthers and JJ Ford, Crow and Otis, Theo and Doug, Sydelle and Angela. They each received their money and their set of clues in an envelope. Everyone had different clues. They are very confused by them. The judge is ready to quit. No one is allowed to read the will until the game is over. They are dismissed to go home.</td>
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<td>The next day is snowed 15 feet and the power was off. Turtle sold everyone candles. The power came on 2 hours later. Angela and Sydelle went and visited everyone. While they visited Chris he things his words, “For Plain, Grain Shed” points to Otis and JJ Ford. Chris then notices someone in the Westing House. Turtle’s clue is Sea Mountain AM O. She thinks they are supposed to invest the money and the person who makes the most wins. Mr. Hoo and Grace’s clues said, “Purple fruited waves for sea” They think the murderer is in 4c. Sandy and JJ Ford have SKIES AM SHINING BROTHER JJ Ford reads a sanity letter to verify Sam and decides to continue playing, by getting to know everyone really well and digging up information and connections. Sydelle and Angela had SPACIOUS GRACE HOOD FROM GOOD as clues. They had listened to everyone in the room and are trying to put all the clues together. On their way back to Sydelle’s apartment, they find the door open. Someone has stolen her account of the will.</td>
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<td>Sydelle leaves an index card posted to the back of the elevator asking for her will copy back. Later everyone begins posting</td>
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things in the elevator: Turtle’s missing Mickey clock; an advertisement for Mr. Hoo’s restaurant; Flora’s missing pearls; JJ’s party and even a note talking about 6 more clues (BAIDED KICKING TORTOISE ‘SI A BRAT).

Turtle sets up stock trades with a broker. She then goes back home to meet her mom who is being overly sweet and kind. Grace, Turtle, Sydelle, and Angela all end up in Turtle’s room. Grace is trying to sweet talk her way into getting everyone’s clues — to no avail. Meanwhile a newspaper man gave info on the other possible “heirs” to JJ.

Engagement announcement for Angela and D Denton, lawsuits brought by James Hoo concerning paper diaper and articles on Doug’s track meets.

Chapter 10 The Long Party
Grace shows up for JJ’s party first. Everyone’s talks, but no one seems to be laughing. Angela grows tired of her mom and everything they say about her fiancé. Sydelle keeps trying to get info from others about being a twin. Turtle then realizes Sydelle lost her shorthand notes on the will. No one gets any farther in their quest for clues so everyone goes home.

Chapter 11 The Meeting
Grace and Angela left early so Turtle didn’t have anyone to do her hair. She goes to Flora, where Flora learns Turtle’s real name as Alice. Flora then talks about her daughter Rosalie. The head to the meeting. As Theo and Chris get in the elevator to go to the meeting they see a note, where JJ is looking for a gold watch given to her father for his service to the railroad.

Everyone then meets down in the lobby coffee shop to discuss clues. Theo starts the meeting and then invites everyone for a game of chess following the meeting. They suggest sharing all the clues and splitting the inheritance. Sydelle wants more because she has the shorthand will copy. Mr. Hoo says he found her lost book and it is useless. Grace says she tried to read it and it made no sense. Sydelle then reveals she wrote it in Polish. Everyone had questions they wanted to ask so they wrote them down and Theo read them aloud. *Is anyone a twin? What is Turtle’s real name? Tabitha-Ruth How*
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<td>Mrs. Theodorakis ran out of the kitchen screaming covered in tomato sauce. She thought a bomb had exploded in the kitchen. The shop will close for several days while they clean. Angela offered to help. Sydelle was in her apartment transcribing her will notes when Turtle knocked on the door wanting her newspaper back from Angela. She apologized for taking it. Turtle then tells them that Grace thinks Angela stole the shorthand note book (Turtle never heard anything like that). She also included that Angela didn’t want to get married and that Sydelle didn’t need a crutch. JJ was called back by the newspaper man, when he found that George Theodorakis had been Violet Westing’s escort to a party. She then went to call a private investigator to help. She knew the voice and the person.</td>
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<td><strong>Chapter 13 The Second Bomb</strong></td>
<td>The bomber set a can in Mr. Hoo’s kitchen labeled, monosodium glutamate. The color striped candle next to it would hit the fuse at 6:30. Mr. Hoo went looking for his wife to start cooking. His son was running up the stairs – exercising. Grace was going up to be a seating hostess. She then decides to mix people up. Sydelle with Chris. Angela and Theo. Angela reveals that she wanted to be a doctor and that they don’t have as much money as Grace pretends to have. Theo talks about how his brother has slowly begun to degenerate and how he wants to be a writer. Josie-Jo Ford is with Flora. Flora talks about the Bride/Groom show she owned with her husband and then her bride shop after he left. She talks of her daughter, but quickly turns to talking of Angela and making a dress for Violet Westing. Turtle is seated by herself, listening to the stock market. Her dad soon joins her when Mr. Hoo comes and asks the Packers’ score. Turtle indicates that she knows her dad is a bookie.</td>
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Chris and Sydelle talk while eating. Sydelle asks if Chris can walk. He replies no. She then gets up to go to the kitchen. Otis Amber busts through the door letting everyone know he is here and the roads are clear. A bomb then goes off in the kitchen. Sydelle sprains an ankle in the process and is covered with noodles. Angela goes with her to the hospital after the ambulance arrives. The firefighters say it was a gas explosion and that everyone should air out their homes from being snowbound for so long to keep things well ventilated.

Angela sneaks out of the house early next morning to check under hoods of cars for clues. Flora and Turtle watch the stockmarket, which is dropping and the Judge talks to Sandy about his family. She signed all $10,000 to his family.

Chapter 14 Pairs Repaired

Angela sneaks out of the house early next morning to check under hoods of cars for clues. Flora and Turtle watch the stockmarket, which is dropping and the Judge talks to Sandy about his family. She signed all $10,000 to his family. He talks of 2 high school sons, married daughter, a typist daughter and 2 more sons that work in a brewery. He was fired from Westing’s plant for starting a union and took up boxing. He stills gets headaches from it. He interprets his clues (skies = sikes; AM brother = Otis Amber; SHINing = middle nam of Hoo or what Turtlekicks; brother = Theo and Chris).

Grace offers to redecorate the HOO’s restaurant. On the way back, on the 3rd floor she hears Otis and Crow arguing about lost clues. Otis leaves and continues running errands for the tenants. Chris meets with Denton and tells him what he deciphered in the clues. Angela was waiting for Denton in the lobby when Theo told her that, “May God Thy Gold Refine” came from the second verse of, “America the Beautiful.” Denton races down and tells Angela he can’t take her to the hospital. She says she’ll take a cab. Denton gives her a hard time in the lobby. Once she gets the hospital, she talks to a doctor, learning that Sydelle is not crazy and she did fake her wasting disease. When Angela talked with her she did not tell her she knew the truth. She also

| obsequious (97) |
| chauffeur (100) |
brought a note, “Forgive me, my daughter. God bless you, my child. Delight in your love and the devil take doctor dear. Hast thou found me, oh my enemy? The time draws near.” THY BEAUTIFUL were added clues.

**Chapter 15 Fact and Gossip**

Everything was back to normal the next day. Theo, Doug, Sandy and Turtle wonder why he looked so peaceful if he had been murdered and if he was allergic to bees. They then share murder mysteries. Sandy remembers Otis and Crow leaving the night of the murder from the towers at 5:00. Jake decides to go to Hoo’s for dinner. He see’s his wife there and he asks about presents under the table. She tells about the bridal shower and complains about Otis making a booming noise every time he delivered a package. They then discuss a new name for the restaurant with Jimmy. Grace wants to help him advertise. Judge comes home next with newspaper clippings. She tries researching the Westing family. She can’t find any pictures of Mrs. Westing, a first name or a maiden name. Sandy remembers her as blonde, but JJ remembers her as copper colored hair. Violet, she learns was to marry a Senator who later was jailed for bribery. Sandy recalls Grace asking him if Angela was involved with Theo. They also discover a likeness in Angela and Violet.

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<td>Angela’s party starts where all of the attendees are people she doesn’t even really know. A gold-foiled gift was unwrapped and exploded. JJ called the cops. Everyone there starts thinking in their heads of all the possible suspects. Chris notices that Otis limps. Angela ends up in the hospital by Sydelle. Sydelle thinks Angela is the bomber. <strong>Chapter 17 Some Solutions</strong></td>
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<td>The following day everyone kept calling in bomb scares, which were nothing. Jake started teaching Madame Hoo English and he ate dinner with his wife and Jimmy. It was then they discovered Ed Plum in their clues (purple-fruitied). Sandy bought a book to keep his clues and info in. He knows Mr. Hoo lost his first wife 5 years ago to cancer and remarried a 28 year old last year. He also knows</td>
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Flora’s maiden name was Miller, she had a Mongoloid child who died at 19 from pneumonia; she’s divorced. He knows Otis is a 4th grade drop-out, bachelor, lives under the grocery store. He knows Deere is 25 and graduated from UW. He knows Sydelle is 50, a secretary and is taking a vacation. Meanwhile, Theo changed his clues into a chemical formula. He had a formula for the explosion and the murderer’s name (Otis). He runs to tell Doug and he accidentally knocks on Crow’s door, where she pulls him in to pray. He catches Doug on the way to the bus stop and tries to get him to help. Doug is only worried about the track meet. After school Doug tracks Otis. Otis is loading cakes and a package from the butcher onto his bike. Otis then makes one delivery to the towers and then gets on the bus. Doug follows him to Plum’s and then to the hospital. Otis bursts out of the hospital room like he is running for his life. Then he took the bus to a stockbroker, to the high school and then to the towers.

**Chapter 18 The Trackers**

Flora was now braiding Turtle’s hair and deciding that they should put everything in Westing Paper Products. After reading, *The Wall Street Journal*, Turtle finds out that Julian R. Eastman is the newly elected chairman of the board for Westing Paper Products Co. Flora watches and the stocks start to increase. Angela is assessed by a plastic surgeon. Deere wants to postpone the wedding. Turtle comes in and tells Angela to stay tight lipped. He then visits Chris and tells him he is taking him to the hospital to see a neurologist that might be able to cure him. Chris thinks he might be getting kidnapped or taken hostage – very exciting.

**Chapter 19 Odd Relatives**

WPP stock continues to increase. Turtle starts calling Flora, Baba. Turtle keeps ducking out of class to listen to stock prices. Crow is polishing a teapot, when Otis tells her he thinks Hoo is the bomber. Crow stiffens when she hears Otis tell her he thinks he knows who it is. Crow thinks vengeance is her’s. Sandy then figures out Crow is a high school drop-out married at 16 to Windy. Why the change of heart for Deere? Is he really up to something?

Could Crow be the bomber? Is Crow dangerous?

Vagrancy (134)
Windkloppel and divorced at 40. She was an alcoholic and arrested for vagrancy. At the Hoo’s restaurant Grace, Jake and Crow sit down for lunch. Grace suddenly becomes jealous of Madam Hoo. Crow talks about her foot problems as Grace runs out of the restaurant. Hoo offers paper-inner soles to Crow. She loves them and leaves. Chris arrives at the hospital and shares MOUNTAIN as a clue and gives the letter Theo dreamed he had received to Angela thinking it was a love letter. The clue read, “Your love has 2, here are 2 for you. Take her away from this sin and hate NOW! Before it is too late.” WITH MAJESTIES Sandy soon learns that Jake has been married 22 years; Grace was born Gracie Windkloppel. They also review a taped interview where Sybil Pulaski tells of her own red hair and Crow’s beautiful blonde hair. They now think Sydelle is a mistake.

**Chapter 20 Confessions**
Turtle skipped school and continued following the stock market and sold at $52 a share. Doug followed Otis all over town and finally home. Theo blew himself up in chemistry class trying to do “experiments” on fertilizers. He ended up in the hospital. JJ went to interrogate Mr. Theodorakis. He talked of Violet wanting to be a teacher. Her dad wanted her to take over the business. Violet wanted to marry Mr. Theodorakis, but mom wanted her to marry someone important. Mom arranged the senator. JJ and Otis then decide Sam is out to get the heir that hurt him the most. They think Mrs. Westing is one of the heirs.

**Chapter 21 The Fourth Bomb**
Theo then goes to Turtle to borrow her bike so he can track Otis. She won’t give it to him until he talks about the police, the bomber and the bike. She thinks “he knows.” Doug follows Crow and Otis to the soup kitchen and finds nothing. Sandy then tells what he knows about himself and then begins to interview the judge. She tells of living at the Westing house since her parents were servants in his house. She was not allowed to play with Violet. She played chess with Sam all of the time, but never won. Sam paid

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for her schooling, but she has never re-
paid the debt.
Theo rides the elevator to the lobby. As it
opens a bomb explodes shooting fireworks
everywhere. As the elevator went to the
3rd floor next the bomb finished going off,
singeing 5 inches of her braid. A note in
the elevator said, “The bomber strikes
again.”
The note was on the back of Turtle’s paper
so they called the cops. She was sent
directly to the judge. The judge realizes
Turtle bombed to cover up for Angela.
Then Turtle confesses to being in the
Westing house the night of the murder and
tells of Sam looking like a wax dummy.
The judge gives that one a second thought.
Sandy comes along and wants to buy a
striped candle from Turtle for his wife’s
birthday.
Angela and Sydelle kept reading over
clues when they were given PLAIN as a
cue from Denton who gave a love note
telling Angela they needed more time.
After that clue they realize the clues are to,
America the Beautiful.

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Chapter 22 Losers, Winners
Turtle confesses and apologizes for the 4
bombings. Madame Hoo seems to be the
robber. She wants to return to China.
Jake and Grace argue and Grace
complains about Jakes being a podiatrist.
Grace begins to cry in the elevator as
Turtle and Flora catch up to them on the
2nd floor. Jake wishes them well at the
track meet. They then meet up with
Angela and Sydelle. Angela is wondering
why her mother is upset, but no one asks
her how’s she’s feeling and she becomes
very happy. They leave and Sydelle sings,
America the Beautiful. It is then the
realize AMBER is in the song. (Otis)
The judge was looking over articles,
pacing, when Deere knocked on her door
and pushed Chris into her house to stay for
the evening. Deere then leaves.
Judge continues reading and comes to the
conclusion that Sam is not dead, but
observing the whole game. She thinks he
might be in it. He should be around 60
and looking possibly completely different
due to cosmetic surgery after the car crash.
Meanwhile, Turtle is at the dentist filling
the cavity and is then headed to the salon
with Baba to get her hair cut. He mom
was notified by Northrup that she had to

Is Deere having second thoughts about Angela, now that she is not as beautiful?

Is Sam Westing himself an heir? Who is he?

Who else could be Sam?
pay for all of the damage caused by the bombs. 
Doug ran his race and won. 
Sandy got fired by Northrup for drinking and never being at his post. He then tells the judge he thinks Otis is really Sam Westing.

Chapter 23 Strange Answers
Otis gets Crow and tries to hurry her early to the Westing House. Crow doesn’t want to go because she thinks she is in some sort of danger. She also does not think Sam is dead.
Everyone starts arriving at the Westing house: the lawyer, Flora and Turtle, then Otis and Crow, followed by Sydelle and Angela, Judge (came in dressed as an African princess) and Sandy. Doug came in followed by the Wexlers who were both drunk. Otis noticed envelopes on the table and wanted to open his. Everyone did.
Each had a check for $10,000. A 12th clue read by the lawyer indicated they could all win much more. They each had to decipher their clues. Jake and Madame Hoo didn’t know what to say so Hoo said, “Boom!”
Flora and Turtle said, $11, 587.50.” Chris and Denton said, “Everyone got a partner that could help them.” JJ and Sandy said, “We don’t have an answer.” Grace and Jimmy said, “Ed Plum.” Crow and Otis said, “mother.” Doug and Theo said, “no answer.” Sydelle and Angela sang, “America the Beautiful and then called Otis Amber as their answer.”
Clue 13 told Crow to get refreshments from the kitchen and then the winner would be revealed.
Crow got up in a trance-like state. Sandy followed to ensure safety as did Angela. Turtle followed to make sure no one was blown up.
Once back in, JJ got up and headed to Deere to ask if any of the heirs had plastic surgery. He commented that Sandy could use some. Sandy swigs some Scotch and then glares at Crow.
Clue 14 – Everyone go directly to the library. Do not pass go.

175-189 Chapter 24 Wrong All Wrong
Clue 15 – All wrong! Partnerships are now canceled. The lawyer left and locked the library door. Madame Hoo knows she will be caught from taking everyone’s things.
Everyone starts to panic thinking they were poisoned. Theo suggests cooperation and sharing the inheritance. They all agree. They put all of the clues together and discover that “are, ber, the, Erica and crow,” were missing. The judge jumps up to defend Crow. Sandy then collapses onto the floor clutching his throat. The lawyer and Dr. Sikes and the sheriff come running in. The sheriff is suspicious since he was called before anyone died. Sandy dies and the lawyer reads another clue. Sam was really Sam “Windy” Windkloppel. If no one said the answer in 5 minutes no one got the money. Crow stood up saying she was the murder. She gave half her inheritance to Otis for the soup kitchen and the rest for Angela. Crow was then arrested.

**Chapter 25 Westing's Wake**

Back at JJ’s Turtle is defending Sandy. They told her she shouldn’t have kicked him. She said she had only kicked Northrup that day. Theo also tells about him playing chess with Sandy throughout the Westing house meetings. Theo thought he had won, but soon discovered after the judge told him that Sandy had trapped him with a queen’s sacrifice. Turtle then recalls chipped dentures she saw in the dentist’s office (Sandy’s dentist). Turtle thinks Sandy is still alive. The judge realizes crow is Sam Westing’s ex-wife. He sacrificed his “queen.” They remember Sandy buying a candle for his wife. Her birthday is today…November 15. Today was Crow’s birthday. Turtle was bound and determined to solve the case.

**Chapter 26 Turtle’s Trial**

A trial ensues with JJ was the judge and Turtle as the lawyer. Turtle wants to prove that Crow did not kill and that Sam Westing was truly dead. She begins calling witnesses, starting with Chris. He reveals that he saw Dr. Sikes enter into the house on Halloween. Otis reveals that he is a private eye. He worked for Sam, Barney and JJ. Sam wanted Otis to follow Crow, keeping her out of trouble and making sure she didn’t use the family name. Northrup had him do research on all of the people moving into the towers. When he was doing research for the judge is when he realized Sydelle was a mistake. They had probably wanted Sybil, since she was

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**What do you think Madame Hoo is hiding?**

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| stoolie (183) | stenographer(192) | dastardly (187) |
part of Crow’s history. Otis then reveals that he told the scary story to Turtle after Sandy had told him that morning. They wanted to scare the kids. The smoke in the fireplace brought attention to the house. Then Turtle went inside. She followed Dr. Sikes whispers, then sees the corpse in bed. Turtle then questions Deere asking him to diagnose Sam and then asking if the thing in the coffin could have been a wax figure. She also notes that when Dr. Sikes took over Sandy, he was still alive. Additionally, he swears Sandy had the bruise on his shin.

Next, she calls Sydelle. She notes a word that she omitted in the transcript of the will. The judge remembers Sandy joking about ashes at this point. Then she reads more of the will and then wants to submit the sanity letter the judge was given. As she pulls it out, the letter has been replaced with a note, showing that the judge owes Sam nothing since she gave up her share of $10,000 each time. Madame Hoo then got up and set a scarf in front of the judge filled with all of the stolen things: necklace, watch, clock, etc. Turtle then goes on to say that Sandy was Sam Westing. He was still alive when the will was read. His disguise was easy since his face had been damaged from the car crash so he had said he was a prize fighter. She believes the flask he always drank from contained medicine. The will also mentions him not loosing his life from natural causes, he lost it when he chose to become Sandy. Turtle reads another part of the will that tells of a fourth name. Turtle thinks she is the last heir. Crow then walks through the door with Plum.

Chapter 27 A Happy Fourth

They realize that Crow was innocent. Sam and Sandy both died of heart-attacks. Theo thinks the coroner was part of the plot. Plum doesn’t want to be a part of the Will anymore so he leaves the towers. Judge reads the last part of the will. Sam admits to being the doorman. He gives the deeds to the towers equally to all the heirs. He then gives his wife, Crow, $10,000 Table 1 forfeited and the two checks from Sandy and the Judge. He then wishes Crow happy birthday and everyone else a happy 4th of July. Soon fireworks are set.
off around the Westing house. They went off until the house burned to the ground. The next day as the sun rises, Turtle sets out on a quest to be the heir. She knew from the will that all of the identities pointed to the 4 corners of the earth (n-Northrup, s-Sandy, w-Westing e-Eastman). She was headed to Mr. Eastman’s house – the new chairman of the board of Westing Paper Products. She found his mansion at the end of a long, private driveway. Dr. Sikes let her in. She walked up to Julian R. Eastman. He had a slight limp. She looked at him and said, “Hi Sandy! I won.”

Chapter 28 And Then . . .

Later a wedding ceremony was held where Otis and Crow were married. Judge sold her house and moved out. The extra money was enough to pay back what she owed with interest and then put a kid through school, like Sam Westing had done for her. Mr. Hoo’s inserts sold well. Madame Hoo finally got a pantsuit. Sydelle went back to being the secretary for the sausage company president. Grace became the new owner of Hoo’s on 1st. Jake Wexler became a consultant to the governor for a state lottery. Angela enrolled in college again and broke off her engagement to Deere. Crow and Otis fixed the soup kitchen and built an apartment right above it.

Chapter 29 Five years Pass

Five years later, Theo graduated in journalism and Doug won the gold at the Olympics for the 150 m. Everyone is gathered back together. Denton became a neurologist. Angela was in her 3rd year of medical school. Sydelle married the president of the sausage company. Chris introduces Shirley. He no longer shakes or spasms. He is going on a bird watching trip with Shirley to Central America this summer. Turtle had finally won a chess game from the master. She went on to get her MBA, made 5 million in the stock market, become a lawyer for Westing Paper Products. As Westing lay on his death bed at 85, Turtle updates him on the heirs. JJ is on the Supreme Court. Crow and Otis still serving soup (they died 2 years ago, but she didn’t want to tell him), Angela is an orthopedic surgeon and has a little girl.
named, Alice, Sydelle moved to Hawaii with her husband. Chris is a professor, Doug is a 2 time Olympic gold, Flora moved in with Turtle, Jimmy died, Grace has 10 restaurants, Jake is state crime commissioner, Turtle’s husband, Theo is finishing his 2nd book, . Sam dies on the 4th of July, leaving everything to Turtle. No one ever knows.

| Project | Make a game board or game that reflects the characters, plot and setting of the story. |  |  |