

Enchanted Laundromat

It's 3:00 in the morning at the neighborhood laundromat, and that has attracted a number of colorful customers. The laundromat has been having some problems with the driers being connected to the air circulation system, so everybody's laundry has gotten all mixed up. Join us, won't you, for a little tale of angst we like to call Enchanted Laundromat.

Enchanted Laundromat is a trading game for six players: two male characters, three female characters, and one neutral character (Bosco). The object of the game might at first seem to be to collect all of your items, but in fact, that will prove impossible as some of them are simply lost. The real object is the interactions and revelations which will occur when people get to see each others', er, dirty laundry. The GM should monitor the game carefully and decide when it seems to have wound down. Enchanted Laundromat was written on a dare during a party after *Pax Romana* in 1998 and was playtested by Mike MacAfee, Karen Bowman, Hal Bowman, Jeff Diewald, and Christine Smith. Additional material suggested by Stephanie Olmstead-Dean.

The setup is fairly easy. Cut out each character and laundry list and then cut up the item cards. The items are marked (♂) for traditionally male clothing, (♀) for traditionally female clothing, and unmarked for traditionally gender neutral items. Give each player a character sheet and the items assigned to the character. Then let them go. Remind them that if something says "a pair," then they need two of them.

The items are arranged in columns under whom they start with. Make sure you know who is starting with which items.

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Characters

<p>You are Officer O'Malley. You are an honest, hard-working policeman. You have never married. You harbor a secret which might get you fired or humiliated at work if it was known.</p> <p><u>Laundry List</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♂ Blue Shirt ♂ Blue Trousers ♂ Black Suspenders ♂ Pair of Black Socks ♀ Black Lacy Underwear ♀ Red Lacy Underwear ♀ Red Lacy Brassiere 	<p>You are Bosco. You killed a man, sliced him up and stuffed the pieces in the driers here. Now DA BOSS wants proof that the guy's dead. So you came back. What poor timing. You also stole a lady's gold watch and you musta dropped it in the laundromat somewhere.</p> <p><u>Laundry List</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♂ A Human Head ♂ A Human Torso ♂ A Pair of Human Arms ♂ A Par of Human Legs ♀ A Gold Watch
<p>You are Ooma The Panther Woman. You are here washing your costume and your Bracers of Power which let you turn into a panther at your command. You may decide if you use your powers for good or evil.</p> <p><u>Laundry List</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♀ Leopard Skin G String ♀ Leopard Skin Bra Bracers of Power T-shirt with Picture of Panther. ♀ Fishnet Stockings ♀ Black Gloves 	<p>You are Stephanie. You don't actually have any laundry to do. You just like to come here late at night and sit on the driers. You put interesting things in the driers for special action. Someone stole your gold watch</p> <p><u>Laundry List</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Bowling Ball ♂ A Pair of Jackboots A Pith Helmet A Ten Pound Chunk of Quartz A Field Hockey Trophy
<p>You are Tim the bachelor. You hate washing clothes, but you come here to meet women.</p> <p><u>Laundry List</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Dingy Grey T-Shirt ♂ One Pair Dingy Grey Tube Socks ♂ Dingy Grey Underwear (BVDs) A New Red T-Shirt ♂ Old, Faded Jeans A New White T-Shirt 	<p>You are Martha. Your boyfriend just dumped you hard, so you killed him. You are washing the blood off your clothes.</p> <p><u>Laundry List</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♀ A White Skirt ♀ A White Blouse ♀ 1 Pair White Socks ♀ A White Brassiere A White Apron A White Bedsheet.

O'Malley	Bosco	Ooma
♀ Leopard Skin Bra	♂ Black Suspenders	♂ One Black Sock
♀ One Black Glove	A Bracer of Power	♂ One Human Arm
A Bowling Ball	♀ One Fishnet Stocking	♀ A Gold Watch
Old, faded Jeans	A Field Hockey Trophy	A Pith Helmet
A Doll-Sized New White T-Shirt.	♂ One Pink Tube Sock	A Pink T-Shirt
♀ One White Sock	♀ A White Skirt with Red Stains	♀ A White Bedsheet with Red Stains
A Faded Orange T-Shirt	A Dull Yellow Sock	♂ A Green Tie with Blue Triangles

Stephanie	Tim	Ooma
♂ Blue Shirt	♀ Black Lacy Underwear	♂ Blue Trousers
♂ A Human Head	♀ Red Lacy Underwear	♀ Red Lacy Brazier
♂ One Human Leg	♂ A Human Torso	♂ One Human Arm
A Bracer of Power	♀ Leopard Skin G String	T-shirt with picture of Panther
♀ A White Blouse With Red Stains	A Ten Pound Chunk of Quartz	♀ One Black Glove
	♀ A White Brassiere	♂ A Jackboot
	♀ A White Apron with Red Stains	♂ Pink Underwear (BVDs)