

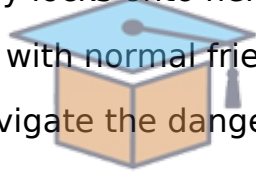
Chapter 59

In Chapter 59 of *We Solve Murders*, the scene is set in the quiet Arrivals Hall of Dublin Airport, where Amy, Steve, and Rosie prepare for their stay in the city. The subdued atmosphere contrasts with the tension Amy feels inside as she carefully conceals the true nature of her plans. While she casually tells her friends that she needs to "see a man about a gun," in reality, she is embarking on a covert mission to acquire a firearm from a suburban location west of Dublin. Fully aware of the potential risks, Amy relies on her instincts to ensure she moves undetected, not wanting to raise any suspicion. She knows the stakes are high, but she refuses to let her anxiety show, maintaining a calm exterior. While her friends remain oblivious to the severity of her situation, Amy is all too aware that the next steps she takes could mean the difference between survival and disaster.

As the night unfolds, the group discusses their evening plans, each with different ideas on how to spend their time in the city. Rosie is eager to explore Dublin's vibrant nightlife, seeing their trip as an opportunity for fun and excitement. Steve, on the other hand, would rather retreat to the hotel and spend the night watching films, avoiding the bustling energy of the city. Their contrasting personalities lead to a playful debate, with Rosie insisting that Steve should embrace the experience rather than isolate himself in a hotel room. Even as Steve protests, arguing that he needs time to unwind, Rosie remains persistent, teasing him about his reluctance and vowing to drag him out if necessary. However, Amy, understanding Steve's struggles and the emotional toll of recent events, suggests that he be allowed to opt out this time. She recognizes that, despite Rosie's enthusiasm, Steve might need a moment of peace, and she gently advocates for his choice without making a scene.

As Steve finally agrees to head to the hotel alone, Amy discreetly shifts her focus back to her mission. She watches as Steve settles into the taxi, relieved that he will be

safely away from the dangerous task ahead. Checking her watch, she casts a glance at the multi-story parking structure nearby, fully aware that the next thirty minutes are crucial. She cannot afford any mistakes, knowing that the slightest misstep could jeopardize everything. Even as the weight of the situation settles on her shoulders, Amy remains composed, keeping her emotions in check. Before she departs, Rosie playfully reminds her to meet up for drinks later, adding a lighthearted contrast to the tension Amy is experiencing. As the taxi carrying Steve disappears down the street, Amy's attention fully locks onto her upcoming task. Her world is split between two realities—one filled with normal friendships and lighthearted banter, and another where she must navigate the dangers of a life-threatening mission.



With every step Amy takes toward her covert objective, the stakes become clearer, and her resolve only strengthens. Her ability to balance her role as a friend while carrying the burden of her hidden mission highlights her strength and determination. She is caught between two conflicting lives—one in which she laughs with Rosie and Steve, and another where she must prepare to face a threat that could change everything. The tension in the chapter builds as Amy moves toward the unknown, her thoughts racing with the possibilities of what might go wrong. Despite the weight of her secret, she remains unwavering, pushing forward with a calm yet determined mind. This chapter not only deepens Amy's character but also heightens the suspense of what is to come, setting the stage for a high-stakes confrontation where every decision she makes could mean life or death.