

# **Ice Cold**

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*All panels are black and white*

## ONE

**Panel 1:** LOW ANGLE CLOSE UP- The steps and a pair of shoes as someone runs up the staircase.

1. SFX (SMALL):                   **HUFF...SIGH**

**Panel 2:** PULL BACK- Open door, silhouette of a woman behind it, clock on the wall reads 3:00

2. SFX (SMALL):                   **CREAK**

**Panel 3:** Half a glass of water with ice on a table. The person from the previous panel is lying on the floor, with only their arm visible in the panel, and a clock reads 03:15.

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**Panel 4:** PULL BACK- Door Opens, silhouette of a person pushing the door. Inside the room, the clock reads 15.45

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## TWO

**Panel 1:** FULL-PAGE PANEL – A Building in the background, and an ambulance and a police car on the street. At the bottom of the panel, A man and a woman, face the building, their backs towards the reader, faces turned slightly towards each other

1. Sergeant: Welcome to day 1, detective. First impressions?
2. Detective: I don't think it's suicide, Sergeant
3. Sergeant: She was found dead by her husband, there was nobody in the apartment, she was the last one to leave and the first one to come back, no signs of forced entry and...
4. Detective: The husband didn't call for the ambulance; he called for us. It's not a question of who did it, it's how?

## THREE

**Panel 1:** CLOSE UP- Folder on a desk titled "***Forensic Report***"

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**Panel 2:** CLOSE UP- TEXT ON SCREEN "***Toxin in blood and water, takes 10 seconds to affect, had to be administered immediately***"

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**Panel 3:** PULL BACK- Side angle shot of the Sergeant and the Detective.

1. Detective: We checked the trash; there wasn't any poison in it. No bottles of water in the house either, water came straight from the tap, not bottle of poison in her purse either to suggest suicide.
2. Sergeant: Maybe it was a pill dissolved in the water?

**Panel 4:** SAME SHOT

1. Detective: The water wouldn't have been clear. The poison had to be in liquid form, easily dissolved in the water.
2. Sergeant: The door was locked from the inside, no signs of forced entry or struggle. Only other person with access to the flat was the husband, and the cameras outside show him arriving nearly 20 minutes after time of death, who could've done it?

## FOUR

**Panel 1:** SAME SHOT- The sergeant and detective stand on opposite ends of the table.

1. Detective:                                 We have reasonable doubt for suspicion, can you let me interrogate him?
  
2. Sergeant:                                 Alright rookie, but you better turn that doubt into a confession because we cannot detain him any longer without evidence.

**Panel 2:** Different room – Room is lit by two lamps. Suspect is seated at the table, his face blurred by the lamp. One hand cuffed to the table, other hand holds a glass of water.

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**Panel 3:** CLOSE UP – Suspect’s hand on table holding a glass of water. On the other side an open file lies open on the table with a photograph of a woman.

1. Detective: Tell me about your wife?
2. Suspect: Lawyer.

**Panel 4:** PULL BACK– Side angle, view over the suspect’s shoulder.

1. Detective:                                 She recently inherited a large sum of money. Is that why you poisoned her?
2. Suspect:                                 Lawwww...yerr
3. Detective:                                 How did you do it? You weren’t in the apartment; how did you administer the poison?

## FIVE

**Panel 1:** CLOSE UP, SIDE ANGLE – Suspect pushes the glass of water towards the officer.

1. Suspect: Ice...please?
2. Detective: If...you confess.

**Panel 2:** CLOSE UP – Door opens, person entering the room

1. Station Officer: Lawyer's here.

**Panel 3:** CLOSE UP – Handcuffs fall on the table.

1. SFX (BIG): **THUMMPP**

**Panel 4:** CLOSE UP – Closed File titled "***Insufficient Evidence***". A glass of water, with cubes of ice, rests upon the desk.

1. Detective (OFF): SIR...?

## SIX

**Panel 1:** CLOSE UP, HALF PAGE - Three files fall on the table, each file with a different provinces on their covers. Glass of water with ice in the corner.  
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| 1. SFX (SMALL):     | <b>THUMP</b>                        |
| 1. Detective (OFF): | Sergeant, you need to look at these |
| 2. Sergeant: (OFF)  | The case is closed, Detective.      |

**Panel 2:** PULL BACK, SIDE ANGLE, HALF PAGE - Both characters seated on opposite sides of the table.

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| 1. Detective: | Same person, three different identities, in 3 provinces. In all cases, the partner dies by suicide.            |
| 2. Sergeant:  | And, any evidence pointing to foul play?   |
| 3. Detective: | No, but in all the cases, the partner had received a large sum of money weeks before they "killed themselves." |
| 4. Sergeant:  | Again, without evidence, or even method, we cannot do anything. We don't know how he did this.                 |

## SEVEN

**Panel 1:** FULL PAGE, TOP ANGLE CLOSE UP, PANEL IN COLOUR – Same glass of water, with the ice cubes and water stain rings under the glass.

1. Detective (OFF):                      Maybe...we do.