



A QUIET PLACE

A Quiet Place Background paper

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Committee: A Quiet Place

Topic: Establishing Laws, Governance, and Communication in a Soundless World, while studying the Death Angels and finding ways of surviving the apocalypse.

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Disclaimer:

The committee of A Quiet Place focuses exclusively on silence and sound. A written warning will be provided to the delegates speaking while they're not required to, such as when a death angel is located near the committee, or delegates are required to stay silent. If the rule is broken, the delegate will be deducted points and will receive a warning. Stay silent, and keep quiet.

Letter to Cities:

Hello Delegates,

Welcome Cities, to the Quiet Place Committee. We are very happy to have you participate in this simulation, where silence means survival, and every noise carries the weight of life or death. Your dedication to reconstruct civilization in a world that lacks sound shows courage and innovation. In this simulation you will represent cities around the world that have been affected by the fall of the Death Angels.

You will work together to design systems of governance, laws and communication that can work under the constant threat of sound. Your ideas may shape the future of humans in this silent apocalypse. Thank you for lending your ideas and creativity to this challenge. May your discussions be thoughtful, your cooperation strong, and your survival certain. As silence becomes our greatest weapon.

Happily Vivianne Sánchez and Mariana Mojica

Committee Overview:

This committee is based on a series of movies called "The quiet place" an American science fiction horror film. This movie is set in a post apocalyptic world of a family trying to survive earth while raising their children, showing how they adapt to this new reality, avoid danger, and maintain hope in a world where communication is deadly after it has been invaded by creatures that hunt humans by just sounds.

Following an alien invasion that wiped out the global populations, the surviving population lived in silence; the faintest noise could bring unimaginable danger. Resources are scarce and communication has broken down. The world has gone quiet, in this new age of silence the remnants of humanity must unite to survive or disappear into silence. How would they rebuild trust, exchange knowledge or save lives when you cannot even speak?

In this committee, delegates will represent the Angels of Death's landing sites worldwide. While there isn't as much information about the other locations, other than in the United States, delegates can research when the meteorite fell in their respective city. Delegates will look for ways to transport food and resources worldwide while also searching for a way to survive the apocalypse, keeping in mind that noise cannot be made.

Apocalypse Overview:

The world as we knew it ended when the Death Angels arrived. Mysterious meteors crashed in several regions around the globe. The first recorded impact was on June 18, 2020 in rural areas of the United States, followed by others near Shanghai, Lagos, and Moscow. From each meteor emerged horrendous extraterrestrial creatures that humanity later called Death Angels, blind predators with impenetrable armor and extreme sensitivity to sound. Within days, most major cities fell. The creatures destroyed anything that made noise. Governments collapsed, communication networks went silent, and humanity was forced to hide. Survivors learned that the creatures are blind and the only way they hunt is only through sound. They adapted by walking barefoot, speaking through sign language, and creating paths of sand to muffle footsteps.

The death angels have nearly no weakness and are very much sensible to sound, they use their advanced intelligence and ability to hear very well to their advantage, as they hunt down humans and go to any sound that isn't natural, such as birds chirping, waterfalls, and rain. During rain, and behind waterfalls, humans are safe from making sound, as the loud sound that rain and waterfalls emit covers the noise made by humans, therefore becoming safe.

The Death Angels come from a planet with no light, immense gravity, and harsh conditions. Their evolution made them powerful hunters with hardened exoskeletons and exceptional echolocation skills. However, these same traits made them unable to swim, offering humanity one of the very few advantages of safety near the water. They have impenetrable armor-like skin, and greater strength compensate for their gravity, making them stronger and agile on earth's gravity. Although their abilities let them become apex predators on earth.

- **Landing Spots:**

Main landing spots

- México
- Singapur
- Nueva York

When the meteorites fell in Mexico, New York and Singapore the physical impact was the least of it, but when the meteorites fell, it caused that some blind aliens with super sensitive hearing to arrive and they immediately began to hunt any sound they heard. That led to the quick annihilating of the populations in a matter of hours. The authorities were unable to contain the threat, and the cities became silent and deserted, turning into zones of silence and death.

- **Start of the Apocalypse:**

The apocalypse began suddenly when the first meteor crash was recorded on news networks, but within hours, sound based communication stopped. Panic, screams, and chaos brought the Death Angels out of their hiding spots, leading to mass extermination. In just a few weeks, human civilization was nearly wiped out. The new rule of survival became absolute “do not make a sound”.

Current Situation:

Years after the first attacks, humanity learned to adapt. Small communities live in silence, using sign language and minimal technology. Large cities were left behind, and small settlements formed in isolated areas. Families farm quietly, travel by foot, and settle near waterfalls or lakes to mask their sounds, where they can protect themselves with the natural sounds. They live in complete silence, soundproofing anything's they can (bare feet, eating soft things, not much cutlery) and communicating on ASL while still using sound like an advantage to them for distraction. Scientists and survivors discovered that a high frequency sound is a weakens for the Death Angels, exposing their vulnerable inner head structure. This discovery brought hope to humans allowing them to fight back for the first time.

However communication, trade, and governance remain nearly impossible. Cities now face the challenge of rebuilding global cooperation without sound creating silent systems of law, communication, and survival. Now us as a committee of cities will work to create a new silent system to rebuild civilization. Our mission is to decide how to remake a broken world through silence, resilience, and ingenuity and we want to make solutions to reinvent laws, communication, and survival in a world where silence is the only way to live.

Closing Statements:

Hello Delegates,

Thank you for your creativity and teamwork throughout the Quiet Place Committee. You've shown that even in silence, humanity is able to adapt to anything, to lead, and survive. Your solutions to rebuild our civilization through quiet governance and communication. All this proves that silence can be our greatest strength. We wish you luck in your future challenges. We hope you stay strong and safe.

Sincerely,

Vivianne Sánchez and Mariana Mojica

Guiding Questions:

1. Impact on your city

The Death Angels' landing caused chaos and destruction. Sounds from panic and alarms drew them in, eliminating most of the population. The survivors learned to live in silence.

2. Biology and senses

They are blind but have extremely good hearing. Their armor makes them almost indestructible, and high frequency sounds are their only weakness.

3. Remaining dangers

Any sound can attract them instantly. They're fast, strong, and still live around most quiet areas.

4. Teaching sign language

The communities usually learn to use visual guides, silent schools, and symbols to make sign language stronger around the world.

5. Government system

A decentralized government ends up working the best. Leaders communicate through signs, writing, and light signals to keep everyone safe.

Quorum:

1. Berlin
2. Bogotá
3. Boston
4. California
5. Colorado
6. England
7. Hawaii
8. Illinois
9. Lagos
10. Massachusetts
11. Mexico City
12. Millbrook
13. Moscow
14. New Delhi
15. New York
16. Paris

17. Scotland
18. Shanghai
19. Singapore
20. Vancouver

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Procedure:

Silent Procedure: The procedure of **A Quiet Place**, this procedure divides into various steps, and are mostly discussion dynamics actually.

1. **Roll Call**
2. **Open the Session**
3. **Set the Agenda**
4. **Open the Speaker's list**
5. **Speakers List** (cities may be interrupted at any time by any delegate / or chair that notices a monster / death angel incoming, this is for sound purposes, as they can be “eliminated” for 1 turn and be silenced)
6. **Moderate Debate:** During this debate, cities are limited to 1:30 speaking time, and are very limited on how they should speak, they must speak in a lower tone and can use sign language at any time.
7. **Silent Debate:** During this debate, delegates are required to be COMPLETELY silent, and therefore cannot speak, if they speak they can be punished. During these debates, cities are going to be given 3 cards, red, blue, and green. The red one asks for permission to speak,

with a limited time of 30 seconds, and can only be used 5 times. The blue one asks for permission to talk through whiteboards and through their notebook, writing and showing their text to anyone, could be used 4 times. The green one asks for permission to speak through notes, and gives permission to send at least 3 notes at once, for indefinite times. A silent debate is ALWAYS mandatory after noticing a death angel in the area, at least for 10 minutes.

8. **Unmoderated Silent Debate:** They function the same as regular unmoderated debates, with the only difference being that during unmoderated silent debates, is that there should be 3 divisions for A Quiet Place, (1) Offensive and Defensive Division, dedicated to kill, and eliminate death angels, (2) Research and Development, the group that is in charge of money, research, and development of death angels, and how they function, and (3) People's Party, the group commanded to serve the people and groups of survivors that are still functioning, they also serve to establish laws, and governance, whilst they manage resources, food and water, to give to the community.
9. **Vote For Sponsors:** There should be 1 or 2 sponsors from each group to present their draft resolutions, and if they pass, they should pass to the next step.
10. **Present Draft Resolutions**
11. **Join Draft Resolutions:** Cities should add their draft resolutions of each group into 1 single resolution with Operative and Preambulatory, this doesn't count as an unmoderated debate, but should have a time of 15 minutes or more.
12. **Vote for Final Sponsors:** Cities should vote for 2 sponsors that will present the final resolution paper to the committee.
13. **Present Resolution Paper**
14. **Vote for Resolution Paper**
15. **Close the Session**