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## Jurors Chosen for Alec Baldwin's Rust Shooting Trial

### Description

A jury has been selected to hear the trial of actor Alec Baldwin, who is facing an involuntary manslaughter charge following a fatal shooting on a film set in New Mexico. The incident occurred in October 2021 when a gun Mr. Baldwin was handling went off during a scene rehearsal, resulting in the death of cinematographer Halyna Hutchins and injuring director Joel Souza. The trial is set to begin in Santa Fe, New Mexico, with Mr. Baldwin pleading not guilty to the charge. The key question in the case revolves around whether Mr. Baldwin pulled the trigger intentionally or if the gun malfunctioned. The trial is expected to last for 10 days, during which Mr. Baldwin's defence team will argue that he was not responsible for the gun's safety on set. Regardless of the trial outcome, Mr. Baldwin is facing civil lawsuits and challenges in his acting career.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **Involuntary** /ɪnˈvɒl.ən.tər.i/ (adjective): Not done by choice; unintentional or spontaneous.
2. **Manslaughter** /ˈmæn.sloʊ.tər/ (noun): The crime of killing someone without premeditation.
3. **Cinematographer** /ˌsɪ.nə.məˈtɒɡ.rə.fər/ (noun): A person responsible for the photography in a film.
4. **Defence** /dɪˈfens/ (noun): The argument or evidence presented in support of a defendant.
5. **Malfunctioned** /mælˈfʌŋk.ʃənd/ (verb): Failed to function properly; did not work correctly.
6. **Litigation** /ˌlɪt.ɪˈɡeɪ.ʃən/ (noun): The process of taking legal action; a lawsuit.

### Comprehension Questions

#### Multiple Choice

1. Where did the fatal shooting involving Alec Baldwin occur?  
Option: Los Angeles California  
Option: Albuquerque New Mexico  
Option: Santa Fe New Mexico  
Option: New York City New York
2. Who tragically lost their life in the incident on the film set?  
Option: Alec Baldwin



- Option: Joel Souza
- Option: Halyna Hutchins
- Option: None of the above

3. What charge is Alec Baldwin facing in the trial?

- Option: Murder
- Option: Assault
- Option: Involuntary Manslaughter
- Option: Reckless Endangerment

4. What plea did Alec Baldwin enter in response to the charge?

- Option: Guilty
- Option: Not Guilty
- Option: No Contest
- Option: Insanity Defense

5. What is the key question in the trial regarding Alec Baldwin's actions?

- Option: Was the gun safety protocol followed?
- Option: Did the gun malfunction?
- Option: Was it an intentional act?
- Option: Who else was involved?

6. How long is the trial expected to last?

- Option: 5 days
- Option: 10 days
- Option: 15 days
- Option: 20 days

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Santa Fe New Mexico 2. Halyna Hutchins 3. Involuntary Manslaughter 4. Not Guilty 5. Was it an intentional act? 6. 10 days

## Vocabulary quizzes

**Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )**

1. Which term refers to a process or period of changing from one state or condition to another?



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- Option: Heartbreak  
Option: Diagnosis  
Option: Legacy  
Option: Transition
2. What is defined as clothing worn by an actor for a particular role or function?  
Option: Complications  
Option: Costumes  
Option: Speculated  
Option: Proactive
3. What is the treatment of disease by the use of chemical substances especially the treatment of cancer by cytotoxic and other drugs?  
Option: Cinematographer  
Option: Chemotherapy  
Option: Manslaughter  
Option: Decline
4. What term is used to describe something handed down by a predecessor or the result of past actions or decisions?  
Option: Litigation  
Option: Prosthetic  
Option: Decline  
Option: Legacy
5. Which term refers to making forceful or violent efforts to get free of restraint or constriction?  
Option: Neurofibromatosis  
Option: Proactive  
Option: Struggles  
Option: Heartbreak
6. What word describes something fascinating interesting or captivating?  
Option: Involuntary  
Option: Societal  
Option: Intriguing  
Option: Candid
7. Which term refers to an artificial body part?  
Option: Proactive  
Option: Prosthetic  
Option: Diagnosis  
Option: Defence
8. What is the opposite of growth or improvement typically featuring a gradual weakening or reduction in



strength or quality?

Option: Complications

Option: Decline

Option: Retreated

Option: Intriguing

9. What term refers to a circumstance that complicates something; a difficulty?

Option: Well-being

Option: Transition

Option: Complications

Option: Speculated

10. What is the state of being comfortable healthy or happy?

Option: Gastrointestinal

Option: Determination

Option: Well-being

Option: Rescheduled

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. She experienced immense \_\_\_\_\_ after the sudden breakup.

12. The doctor delivered the difficult \_\_\_\_\_ of a terminal illness.

13. Despite numerous setbacks his \_\_\_\_\_ led him to achieve his goals.

14. Due to unforeseen circumstances the meeting had to be \_\_\_\_\_ for next week.

15. The muscle spasms were \_\_\_\_\_ and beyond his control.

16. The accused was charged with \_\_\_\_\_ due to the fatal car accident.

17. The ongoing \_\_\_\_\_ with the company had been a source of stress for months.

18. The talented \_\_\_\_\_ captured the essence of the film through his lens.

19. The lawyer presented a strong \_\_\_\_\_ argument in court.

20. The equipment suddenly \_\_\_\_\_ causing a delay in production.



**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. The media about the potential candidates for the award.
22. The patient complained of discomfort after eating spicy food.
23. Being in addressing the issue helped prevent further complications.
24. The soldiers to a safer position during the intense battle.
25. The study focused on the impact of technology on daily interactions.
26. The patient was diagnosed with a genetic disorder causing tumors to grow on nerve tissue.
27. Her remarks sometimes got her into trouble.
28. The artist's work was deeply reflecting his inner thoughts and emotions.
29. Regular exercise and a balanced diet contribute to overall .
30. His philanthropic efforts have left a lasting in the community.

**Answer**

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Transition 2. Costumes 3. Chemotherapy 4. Legacy 5. Struggles 6. Intriguing 7. Prosthetic 8. Decline 9. Complications 10. Well-being

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Heartbreak 12. Diagnosis 13. Determination 14. Rescheduled 15. Involuntary 16. Manslaughter 17. Litigation 18. Cinematographer 19. Defence 20. Malfunctioned

**Matching sentence:** 1. Speculated 2. Gastrointestinal 3. Proactive 4. Retreated 5. Societal 6. Neurofibromatosis 7. Candid 8. Introspective 9. Well-being 10. Legacy

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