DISSATISFIED STAFF

Harry moves into his new property.

New home

As Harry's new home is much larger than his previous property, **he needs more domestic staff.**

Harry speaks to his friends and they recommend a new housekeeper who is available.

As Harry is a shrewd businessman, he haggles over the desired salary and hours. **The housekeeper eventually accepts and commences work at the house.**

Frustrations

After 6 months, **the new housekeeper becomes disinterested** in working for Harry and is very **unhappy with her current salary and working hours.**

A simple **recording device** bought online for only £10 is hidden in Harry's study by the housekeeper who is now able to **listen in remotely on all conversations in the room.**

Eavesdropping

After months of recordings **the housekeeper has insight into Harry's business deals** including a large contract that Harry's business is pitching for.

The housekeeper **sells the information** about the large contract to one of Harry's competitors for a large sum of money.

Harry's rivals use the information to undercut the contract and they are successful in winning the business.

HOW TO MANAGE THE RISK

Watch out for domestic staff that keep **strange hours or if they appear disinterested in their work.**

If you are recruiting outside of an agency, **always obtain references for new staff,** but also call their previous employer.

Consider online searches to see if the prospective staff member shows up in any online stories or news articles.