

Deduction Mysteries

CASE 01

A customer credit-card list was taken from the DevOps room of Northgate Systems between 13:20 and 16:15. Only four staff members had access during that window: Rhys (product manager), Thora (contractor), Lana (intern), Hadley (support lead).

Q Who extracted the customer credit-card list?

1. Security camera footage shows Rhys at the front desk between 13:20 and 16:15.
2. Lana stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. Only the four staff members had SSH key access to the DevOps room during the window.
4. Security camera footage shows Thora at the reception between 13:20 and 16:15.
5. Security camera footage shows Hadley at the main lobby between 13:20 and 16:15.

A) Rhys	B) Lana	C) Hadley	D) Thora
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CASE 02

A staff payroll list was taken from the locker room of Northgate Academy between 16:15 and 19:30. Only four staff members had access during that window: Rokšana (principal), Kenji (school counselor), Ramona (substitute teacher), Cassia (coach).

Q Who took the staff payroll list?

1. Cassia's records-room badge log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:15 to 19:30.
2. Security camera footage shows Rokšana at the main lobby between 16:15 and 19:30.
3. Ramona stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
4. Kenji was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 8 colleagues.

A) Rokšana	B) Kenji	C) Cassia	D) Ramona
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CASE 03

The box-office receipts were taken from the green room of Argent Theatre between 16:30 and 19:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Ginevra (stage manager), Mei (understudy), Ula (lighting tech), Florian (director).

Q Who took the box-office receipts?

1. Mei was leading a session during the window – confirmed by 7 colleagues.
2. Florian was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 5 colleagues.
3. Ula stated they were resting in the break room, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
4. Only the four staff members had box-office key access to the green room during the window.
5. Ginevra's backstage pass log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:30 to 19:45.

A) Ginevra	B) Florian	C) Mei	D) Ula
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CASE 04

An oil painting was taken from the main exhibition hall of Metropolitan Gallery between 15:15 and 17:15. Only four staff members had access during that window: Hiroshi (art restorer), Klaus (security guard), Cyrus (tour guide), Bao (gift shop manager).

Q Who took the oil painting?

1. Klaus stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Bao's security badge log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 15:15 to 17:15.
3. Only the four staff members had security badge access to the main exhibition hall during the window.
4. Cyrus was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 8 attendees.
5. Security camera footage shows Hiroshi at the main lobby between 15:15 and 17:15.

A) Klaus	B) Bao	C) Hiroshi	D) Cyrus
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CASE 05

A sports trophy was taken from the science lab of Brierfield Prep between 15:15 and 18:15. Only four staff members had access during that window: Fenella (school counselor), Hasan (department head), Dario (principal), Bayan (substitute teacher).

Q Who took the sports trophy?

1. The witness statement confirms Dario was at the library archive the entire time.
2. The attendance log confirms Hasan was at the sports equipment room the entire time.
3. Security camera footage shows Bayan at the front desk between 15:15 and 18:15.
4. Fenella stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.

A) Hasan	B) Dario	C) Bayan	D) Fenella
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CASE 06

An ancient scroll was taken from the storage basement of Saint-Clair Museum between 13:30 and 16:10. Only four staff members had access during that window: Eleni (night security), Polina (security guard), Lana (exhibition designer), Nadia (docent).

Q Who took the ancient scroll?

1. Nadia's keycard log shows continuous activity at the training center from 13:30 to 16:10.
2. Lana was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 3 witnesses.
3. Polina's vault combination log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 13:30 to 16:10.
4. Eleni stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
5. Only the four staff members had security badge access to the storage basement during the window.

A) Polina	B) Lana	C) Eleni	D) Nadia
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CASE 07

A catering payment was taken from the front register of Helix Kitchen between 15:20 and 17:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Roksana (pastry chef), Olive (line cook), Kasper (dishwasher), Lior (sommelier).

Q Who took the catering payment?

1. Only the four staff members had manager key access to the front register during the window.
2. Olive stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. Security camera footage shows Kasper at the front desk between 15:20 and 17:45.
4. Security camera footage shows Roksana at the reception between 15:20 and 17:45.
5. The POS log confirms Lior was at the dining floor the entire time.

A) Olive	B) Roksana	C) Kasper	D) Lior
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CASE 08

An exam answer key was taken from the locker room of Cedarvale High between 13:10 and 15:30. Only four staff members had access during that window: Stellan (coach), Iolanthe (teacher), Joaquin (janitor), Wilder (principal).

Q Who took the exam answer key?

1. Wilder stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Iolanthe's combination log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 13:10 to 15:30.
3. Only the four staff members had keypad code access to the locker room during the window.
4. The door sensor confirms Stellan was at the computer lab the entire time.
5. Security camera footage shows Joaquin at the reception between 13:10 and 15:30.

A) Stellan	B) Wilder	C) Iolanthe	D) Joaquin
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CASE 09

A sealed parts shipment was taken from the manager's office of Aldermarsh Auto Works between 15:10 and 18:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Hiroshi (master mechanic), Esme (parts clerk), Polina (customer service rep), Wren (electrician).

Q Who took the sealed parts shipment?

1. The tool-checkout log confirms Esme was at the welding bay the entire time.
2. Hiroshi stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. Polina's manager key log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 15:10 to 18:45.
4. Security camera footage shows Wren at the main lobby between 15:10 and 18:45.

A) Polina	B) Esme	C) Wren	D) Hiroshi
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Answer Key – Deduction Mysteries

Solve before peeking. Correct suspect and key reasoning steps below.

Case 01 B) Lana

- ☒ A customer credit-card list was taken from the DevOps room between 13:20 and 16:15.
 - ☒ Rhys is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 02 D) Ramona

- ☒ A staff payroll list was taken from the locker room between 16:15 and 19:30.
 - ☒ Roksana is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 03 D) Ula

- ☒ The box-office receipts were taken from the green room between 16:30 and 19:45.
 - ☒ Ginevra is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 04 A) Klaus

- ☒ An oil painting was taken from the main exhibition hall between 15:15 and 17:15.
 - ☒ Hiroshi is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 05 D) Fenella

- ☒ A sports trophy was taken from the science lab between 15:15 and 18:15.
 - ☒ Hasan is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 06 C) Eleni

- ☒ An ancient scroll was taken from the storage basement between 13:30 and 16:10.
 - ☒ Polina is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 07 A) Olive

- ☒ A catering payment was taken from the front register between 15:20 and 17:45.
 - ☒ Roksana is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 08 B) Wilder

- ☒ An exam answer key was taken from the locker room between 13:10 and 15:30.
 - ☒ Stellan is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 09 D) Hiroshi

- ☒ A sealed parts shipment was taken from the manager's office between 15:10 and 18:45.
- ☒ Esme is cleared – verified alibi during the window.