

Deduction Mysteries

CASE 01

A rare first edition was taken from the microfilm area of Pemberton Research Library between 16:40 and 19:10. Only four staff members had access during that window: Tariq (head librarian), Thora (rare-books curator), Saoirse (cataloger), Emiko (intern).

Q Who took the rare first edition?

1. Only the four staff members had vault key access to the microfilm area during the window.
2. Saoirse's reading-room pass log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:40 to 19:10.
3. Emiko was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 5 attendees.
4. Thora stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
5. Tariq was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 7 attendees.

A) Saoirse	B) Emiko	C) Tariq	D) Thora
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CASE 02

A signed binary release was taken from the network closet of Helix Tech between 15:30 and 18:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Amelia (senior engineer), Mikael (contractor), Jacinta (CTO), Alejandro (product manager).

Q Who extracted the signed binary release?

1. Alejandro was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 4 attendees.
2. Mikael was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 8 colleagues.
3. Amelia stated they were resting in the break room, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
4. Security camera footage shows Jacinta at the elevator landing between 15:30 and 18:00.
5. Only the four staff members had MFA device access to the network closet during the window.

A) Amelia	B) Jacinta	C) Mikael	D) Alejandro
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CASE 03

A signed prescription pad was taken from the intensive care wing of Pemberton Medical between 14:10 and 17:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Cosima (security officer), Fenella (technician), Tess (pharmacist), Sigrid (head nurse).

Q Who took the signed prescription pad?

1. The elevator log confirms Cosima was at the blood bank the entire time.
2. Security camera footage shows Fenella at the elevator landing between 14:10 and 17:00.
3. Sigrid was leading a session during the window – confirmed by 6 attendees.
4. Tess stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.

A) Tess	B) Sigrid	C) Fenella	D) Cosima
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CASE 04

A curator notebook was taken from the special collections room of Saint-Clair Collection between 16:45 and 18:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Odell (rare-books curator), Vera (head librarian), Nikolai (visiting scholar), Kalinda (intern).

Q Who took the curator notebook?

1. Kalinda stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Nikolai's reading-room pass log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:45 to 18:00.
3. Vera's archive badge log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 16:45 to 18:00.
4. The badge swipe confirms Odell was at the archive storage the entire time.

A) Nikolai	B) Kalinda	C) Odell	D) Vera
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CASE 05

An annotated copy was taken from the restoration room of Saint-Clair Collection between 16:20 and 18:10. Only four staff members had access during that window: Nadia (custodian), Mahdi (cataloger), Galina (visiting scholar), Cedric (head librarian).

Q Who took the annotated copy?

1. Security camera footage shows Galina at the elevator landing between 16:20 and 18:10.
2. Only the four staff members had vault key access to the restoration room during the window.
3. Security camera footage shows Cedric at the reception between 16:20 and 18:10.
4. Nadia stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
5. Mahdi's reading-room pass log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:20 to 18:10.

A) Cedric	B) Nadia	C) Galina	D) Mahdi
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CASE 06

A VIP patient file was taken from the staff lounge of Saint-Clair Hospital between 16:30 and 19:10. Only four staff members had access during that window: Selene (janitor), Dario (medical resident), Mauro (administrator), Ula (head nurse).

Q Who took the VIP patient file?

1. Mauro stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Selene's administrator code log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 16:30 to 19:10.
3. Security camera footage shows Dario at the front desk between 16:30 and 19:10.
4. The medication audit confirms Ula was at the medication closet the entire time.

A) Dario	B) Ula	C) Mauro	D) Selene
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CASE 07

An expensive welding rod was taken from the customer pickup bay of Helix Restoration between 16:40 and 19:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Mikael (electrician), Sora (shop manager), Caelan (welder), Faye (parts clerk).

Q Who took the expensive welding rod?

1. Sora stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. The door sensor confirms Caelan was at the welding bay the entire time.
3. Only the four staff members had tool-crib key access to the customer pickup bay during the window.
4. Security camera footage shows Mikael at the reception between 16:40 and 19:00.
5. Faye was leading a session during the window – confirmed by 5 colleagues.

A) Faye	B) Sora	C) Caelan	D) Mikael
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CASE 08

A signed manuscript was taken from the periodicals room of Quartermaine Archive between 14:15 and 16:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Ilya (volunteer), Leander (intern), Ginevra (head librarian), Tarek (cataloger).

Q Who took the signed manuscript?

1. The book-checkout record confirms Ginevra was at the special collections room the entire time.
2. Tarek's vault key log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 14:15 to 16:45.
3. Ilya's vault key log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 14:15 to 16:45.
4. Leander stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.

A) Ilya	B) Ginevra	C) Leander	D) Tarek
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CASE 09

A birth certificate was taken from the registration desk of Aldermarsh County Archive between 14:10 and 16:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Bayan (genealogist), Alessio (conservation specialist), Dario (head archivist), Odell (researcher).

Q Who took the birth certificate?

1. Bayan stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Alessio was leading a demonstration during the window – confirmed by 4 colleagues.
3. Security camera footage shows Dario at the front desk between 14:10 and 16:45.
4. Security camera footage shows Odell at the elevator landing between 14:10 and 16:45.
5. Only the four staff members had admin code access to the registration desk during the window.

A) Bayan	B) Odell	C) Alessio	D) Dario
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Answer Key – Deduction Mysteries

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

Case 01 D) Thora

- ☑ A rare first edition was taken from the microfilm area between 16:40 and 19:10.
 - ☑ Tariq is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 02 A) Amelia

- ☑ A signed binary release was taken from the network closet between 15:30 and 18:00.
 - ☑ Mikael is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 03 A) Tess

- ☑ A signed prescription pad was taken from the intensive care wing between 14:10 and 17:00.
 - ☑ Cosima is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 04 B) Kalinda

- ☑ A curator notebook was taken from the special collections room between 16:45 and 18:00.
 - ☑ Odell is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 05 B) Nadia

- ☑ An annotated copy was taken from the restoration room between 16:20 and 18:10.
 - ☑ Mahdi is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 06 C) Mauro

- ☑ A VIP patient file was taken from the staff lounge between 16:30 and 19:10.
 - ☑ Selene is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 07 B) Sora

- ☑ An expensive welding rod was taken from the customer pickup bay between 16:40 and 19:00.
 - ☑ Mikael is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 08 C) Leander

- ☑ A signed manuscript was taken from the periodicals room between 14:15 and 16:45.
 - ☑ Ilya is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 09 A) Bayan

- ☑ A birth certificate was taken from the registration desk between 14:10 and 16:45.
- ☑ Alessio is cleared – verified alibi during the window.