

Deduction Mysteries

CASE 01

An annotated copy was taken from the staff workroom of Northgate Library between 16:10 and 18:10. Only four staff members had access during that window: Idris (intern), Aurora (archivist), Nadia (cataloger), Thora (visiting scholar).

Q Who took the annotated copy?

1. Idris was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 8 attendees.
2. Aurora stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. The badge swipe confirms Nadia was at the staff workroom the entire time.
4. Only the four staff members had staff key access to the staff workroom during the window.
5. Thora's staff key log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:10 to 18:10.

A) Idris	B) Thora	C) Nadia	D) Aurora
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CASE 02

A SSL certificate was taken from the war room of Solstice Labs between 16:20 and 18:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Nizar (contractor), Talia (DevOps lead), Mei (security analyst), Amelia (data scientist).

Q Who extracted the SSL certificate?

1. Talia's badge log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:20 to 18:00.
2. Amelia was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 5 colleagues.
3. Mei stated they were resting in the break room, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
4. Nizar was leading a demonstration during the window – confirmed by 5 attendees.

A) Amelia	B) Talia	C) Mei	D) Nizar
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CASE 03

An accounting ledger was taken from the document destruction room of Helix Corporation between 16:20 and 18:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Anastasia (executive assistant), Gisela (CFO), Ula (facilities coordinator), Yvonne (security officer).

Q Who took the accounting ledger?

1. Ula's VPN access log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 16:20 to 18:00.
2. Gisela stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. The security badge log confirms Anastasia was at the executive suite the entire time.
4. Yvonne was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 7 colleagues.

A) Yvonne	B) Gisela	C) Ula	D) Anastasia
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CASE 04

A historical photograph was taken from the restricted reading room of Aldermarsh County Archive between 13:45 and 15:10. Only four staff members had access during that window: Ezra (genealogist), Damaris (conservation specialist), Ines (volunteer), Finnegan (head archivist).

Q Who took the historical photograph?

1. Only the four staff members had admin code access to the restricted reading room during the window.
2. The camera footage confirms Finnegan was at the conservation room the entire time.
3. Ezra stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
4. Damaris's admin code log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 13:45 to 15:10.
5. Security camera footage shows Ines at the elevator landing between 13:45 and 15:10.

A) Damaris	B) Finnegan	C) Ines	D) Ezra
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CASE 05

A signed manuscript was taken from the archive room of Whitmore Museum between 13:40 and 16:15. Only four staff members had access during that window: Cyrus (art restorer), Hasan (security guard), Ula (exhibition designer), Kalinda (gift shop manager).

Q Who took the signed manuscript?

1. Only the four staff members had vault combination access to the archive room during the window.
2. Ula stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. Hasan was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 4 attendees.
4. Kalinda's keycard log shows continuous activity at the training center from 13:40 to 16:15.
5. Security camera footage shows Cyrus at the reception between 13:40 and 16:15.

A) Kalinda	B) Hasan	C) Ula	D) Cyrus
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CASE 06

The board minutes were taken from the document destruction room of Meridian Capital between 16:20 and 18:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Esme (senior engineer), Akhil (IT administrator), Magnus (CFO), Lana (intern).

Q Who took the board minutes?

1. The printer log confirms Magnus was at the filing cabinet the entire time.
2. Akhil stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. Security camera footage shows Lana at the reception between 16:20 and 18:45.
4. Esme was leading a demonstration during the window – confirmed by 3 colleagues.
5. Only the four staff members had employee badge access to the document destruction room during the window.

A) Magnus	B) Lana	C) Esme	D) Akhil
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CASE 07

A rare first edition was taken from the reading room of Northgate Library between 16:20 and 19:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Fenella (custodian), Mei (cataloger), Elspeth (rare-books curator), Tess (reference librarian).

Q Who took the rare first edition?

1. Security camera footage shows Elspeth at the reception between 16:20 and 19:45.
2. Fenella stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. Security camera footage shows Mei at the front desk between 16:20 and 19:45.
4. Tess's archive badge log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:20 to 19:45.

A) Elspeth	B) Mei	C) Fenella	D) Tess
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CASE 08

The pharmacy keys were taken from the administrator office of Saint-Clair Hospital between 16:15 and 19:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Klaus (head nurse), Tomas (social worker), Bayan (attending physician), Yusuf (volunteer).

Q Who took the pharmacy keys?

1. Klaus's restricted-wing access log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:15 to 19:45.
2. Tomas's administrator code log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 16:15 to 19:45.
3. Bayan's pharmacy key log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 16:15 to 19:45.
4. Yusuf stated they were reviewing files at their desk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.

A) Yusuf	B) Bayan	C) Klaus	D) Tomas
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CASE 09

A locker key was taken from the principal's office of Aldermarsh High between 16:40 and 18:15. Only four staff members had access during that window: Gemma (department head), Mauro (coach), Theo (janitor), Suri (student council president).

Q Who took the locker key?

1. Suri's master key log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:40 to 18:15.
2. Mauro was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 7 colleagues.
3. Theo's records-room badge log shows continuous activity at the training center from 16:40 to 18:15.
4. Gemma stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.

A) Suri	B) Mauro	C) Gemma	D) Theo
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Answer Key – Deduction Mysteries

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

Case 01 D) Aurora

- ☒ An annotated copy was taken from the staff workroom between 16:10 and 18:10.
 - ☒ Idris is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 02 C) Mei

- ☒ A SSL certificate was taken from the war room between 16:20 and 18:00.
 - ☒ Nizar is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 03 B) Gisela

- ☒ An accounting ledger was taken from the document destruction room between 16:20 and 18:00.
 - ☒ Anastasia is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 04 D) Ezra

- ☒ A historical photograph was taken from the restricted reading room between 13:45 and 15:10.
 - ☒ Damaris is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 05 C) Ula

- ☒ A signed manuscript was taken from the archive room between 13:40 and 16:15.
 - ☒ Cyrus is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 06 D) Akhil

- ☒ The board minutes were taken from the document destruction room between 16:20 and 18:45.
 - ☒ Esme is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 07 C) Fenella

- ☒ A rare first edition was taken from the reading room between 16:20 and 19:45.
 - ☒ Mei is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 08 A) Yusuf

- ☒ The pharmacy keys were taken from the administrator office between 16:15 and 19:45.
 - ☒ Klaus is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 09 C) Gemma

- ☒ A locker key was taken from the principal's office between 16:40 and 18:15.
- ☒ Mauro is cleared – verified alibi during the window.