

Deduction Mysteries

CASE 01

A sound-system controller was taken from the director's office of Argent Theatre between 14:45 and 17:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Klaus (director), Ravi (stage manager), Tomas (stagehand), Cyrus (lighting tech).

Q Who took the sound-system controller?

1. Cyrus stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Only the four staff members had director's key access to the director's office during the window.
3. The props inventory log confirms Klaus was at the prop storage the entire time.
4. Tomas's box-office key log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 14:45 to 17:00.
5. The box-office system confirms Ravi was at the box office the entire time.

A) Cyrus	B) Ravi	C) Tomas	D) Klaus
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CASE 02

A client database was taken from the server room of Meridian Capital between 15:15 and 18:15. Only four staff members had access during that window: Kasper (HR director), Esme (records clerk), Pavel (legal counsel), Joren (IT administrator).

Q Who took the client database?

1. The witness account confirms Pavel was at the filing cabinet the entire time.
2. Only the four staff members had elevator key access to the server room during the window.
3. Security camera footage shows Kasper at the main lobby between 15:15 and 18:15.
4. Joren stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
5. Esme was leading a tour during the window – confirmed by 8 colleagues.

A) Esme	B) Joren	C) Kasper	D) Pavel
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CASE 03

A prop weapon was taken from the backstage left of Argent Theatre between 16:15 and 18:15. Only four staff members had access during that window: Marisol (stagehand), Indira (musical director), Hiroshi (box-office manager), Bram (director).

Q Who took the prop weapon?

1. The props inventory log confirms Indira was at the director's office the entire time.
2. Marisol was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 3 attendees.
3. Hiroshi stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
4. Bram's backstage pass log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 16:15 to 18:15.

A) Bram	B) Indira	C) Marisol	D) Hiroshi
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CASE 04

A client contract data was taken from the SOC operations center of Solstice Labs between 14:40 and 16:10. Only four staff members had access during that window: Joaquin (senior engineer), Maeve (product manager), Fenella (support lead), Octavia (data scientist).

Q Who extracted the client contract data?

1. Maeve's MFA device log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 14:40 to 16:10.
2. Octavia stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. Joaquin was leading a session during the window – confirmed by 8 attendees.
4. Only the four staff members had admin token access to the SOC operations center during the window.
5. Security camera footage shows Fenella at the front desk between 14:40 and 16:10.

 A) Joaquin B) Maeve C) Octavia D) Fenella

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CASE 05

A prototype assembly was taken from the main shop floor of Helix Restoration between 16:40 and 18:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Rhys (master mechanic), Klaus (electrician), Wren (shop manager), Selene (welder).

Q Who took the prototype assembly?

1. Rhys stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Security camera footage shows Klaus at the elevator landing between 16:40 and 18:00.
3. Selene's shop key log shows continuous activity at the remote office from 16:40 to 18:00.
4. Security camera footage shows Wren at the front desk between 16:40 and 18:00.

 A) Rhys B) Klaus C) Selene D) Wren

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CASE 06

A reference card index was taken from the reading room of Pemberton Research Library between 16:10 and 19:30. Only four staff members had access during that window: Quentin (rare-books curator), Elara (cataloger), Iolanthe (intern), Beatrix (archivist).

Q Who took the reference card index?

1. Iolanthe stated they were on a coffee run, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
2. Beatrix was leading a demonstration during the window – confirmed by 5 witnesses.
3. The door sensor confirms Elara was at the reading room the entire time.
4. Security camera footage shows Quentin at the elevator landing between 16:10 and 19:30.

 A) Beatrix B) Iolanthe C) Elara D) Quentin

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CASE 07

An archive password log was taken from the archive storage of Northgate Library between 14:30 and 17:30. Only four staff members had access during that window: Aleksandr (intern), Kiran (research assistant), Hakim (reference librarian), Maeve (archivist).

Q Who took the archive password log?

1. Security camera footage shows Aleksandr at the front desk between 14:30 and 17:30.
2. Kiran stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
3. The door sensor confirms Hakim was at the restoration room the entire time.
4. Only the four staff members had vault key access to the archive storage during the window.
5. Security camera footage shows Maeve at the elevator landing between 14:30 and 17:30.

A) Aleksandr	B) Hakim	C) Kiran	D) Maeve
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CASE 08

A signed prescription pad was taken from the imaging room of Northgate Memorial between 16:10 and 19:00. Only four staff members had access during that window: Marisol (volunteer), Quentin (security officer), Rhys (administrator), Katarina (attending physician).

Q Who took the signed prescription pad?

1. Rhys was leading a meeting during the window – confirmed by 5 attendees.
2. Katarina's administrator code log shows continuous activity at the off-site facility from 16:10 to 19:00.
3. Quentin stated they were resting in the break room, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.
4. Security camera footage shows Marisol at the reception between 16:10 and 19:00.
5. Only the four staff members had hospital badge access to the imaging room during the window.

A) Katarina	B) Marisol	C) Quentin	D) Rhys
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CASE 09

An enzyme batch was taken from the sample storage of Nordic Bio between 13:30 and 15:45. Only four staff members had access during that window: Nikolai (operations manager), Ulla (clinical coordinator), Kenji (visiting scientist), Finnegan (equipment manager).

Q Who swapped the enzyme batch?

1. Security camera footage shows Finnegan at the main lobby between 13:30 and 15:45.
2. Only the four staff members had lab badge access to the sample storage during the window.
3. Ulla was leading a demonstration during the window – confirmed by 7 witnesses.
4. Security camera footage shows Kenji at the reception between 13:30 and 15:45.
5. Nikolai stated they were taking a short walk, but no witnesses or cameras can confirm this.

A) Ulla	B) Nikolai	C) Finnegan	D) Kenji
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Answer Key – Deduction Mysteries

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

Case 01 A) Cyrus

- ☒ A sound-system controller was taken from the director's office between 14:45 and 17:00.
 - ☒ Klaus is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 02 B) Joren

- ☒ A client database was taken from the server room between 15:15 and 18:15.
 - ☒ Kasper is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 03 D) Hiroshi

- ☒ A prop weapon was taken from the backstage left between 16:15 and 18:15.
 - ☒ Marisol is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 04 C) Octavia

- ☒ A client contract data was taken from the SOC operations center between 14:40 and 16:10.
 - ☒ Joaquin is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 05 A) Rhys

- ☒ A prototype assembly was taken from the main shop floor between 16:40 and 18:00.
 - ☒ Klaus is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 06 B) Iolanthe

- ☒ A reference card index was taken from the reading room between 16:10 and 19:30.
 - ☒ Quentin is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 07 C) Kiran

- ☒ An archive password log was taken from the archive storage between 14:30 and 17:30.
 - ☒ Aleksandr is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 08 C) Quentin

- ☒ A signed prescription pad was taken from the imaging room between 16:10 and 19:00.
 - ☒ Marisol is cleared – verified alibi during the window.
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Case 09 B) Nikolai

- ☒ An enzyme batch was taken from the sample storage between 13:30 and 15:45.
- ☒ Ulla is cleared – verified alibi during the window.