

Deduction Mysteries

CASE 01

An original land deed was taken from the registration desk of Northgate Estate Archive during the overnight window between 19:15 and 21:15. Investigators have narrowed the field to 6 suspects: Juno (administrator), Amelia (intern), Elara (researcher), Mikael (conservation specialist), Cosima (security officer), Ula (volunteer).

Q Who took the original land deed?

1. Ula's camera footage places them at an offsite location from 19:15 to roughly 21:15.
2. Cosima's archive log places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:15.
3. Research-room pass access to the registration desk is restricted to Juno, Ula, Elara.
4. Elara has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:15.
5. Juno's vault entry record places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:15.
6. Elara's research-room pass was activated at 19:15 at the registration desk.
7. The theft required advanced lock-picking expertise. Only Amelia, Mikael, Elara have it among the suspects.
8. Amelia's badge swipe places them at a hospital visit from 19:15 to roughly 21:15.
9. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Juno's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
- 10 Elara had passed-over promotion, well-documented in HR records.
- 11 Mikael's archive log places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:15.

A) Amelia	B) Mikael	C) Juno	D) Ula	E) Elara	F) Cosima
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CASE 02

An ancient scroll was taken from the storage basement of Argent Gallery during the overnight window between 20:30 and 22:00. Investigators have narrowed the field to 6 suspects: Finnegan (exhibition designer), Galina (curator), Bram (janitor), Quincy (tour guide), Kalinda (security guard), Yusuf (night security).

Q Who took the ancient scroll?

1. Bram's master key was activated at 20:30 at the storage basement.
2. Quincy's motion sensor places them at a documented training session from 20:30 to roughly 22:00.
3. Bram has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 20:30.
4. The theft required advanced lock-picking expertise. Only Bram, Quincy, Yusuf have it among the suspects.
5. Yusuf's motion sensor places them at a hospital visit from 20:30 to roughly 22:00.
6. Finnegan's security camera places them at a remote conference from 20:30 to roughly 22:00.
7. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Yusuf's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
8. Galina's witness testimony places them at an offsite location from 20:30 to roughly 22:00.
9. Kalinda's elevator log places them at a remote conference from 20:30 to roughly 22:00.
- 10 Master key access to the storage basement is restricted to Bram, Yusuf, Finnegan.
- 11 Bram had recent disciplinary action, well-documented in HR records.

A) Yusuf	B) Bram	C) Finnegan	D) Galina	E) Quincy	F) Kalinda
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CASE 03

A sealed contract was taken from the conference room B of Cedarstone Inc during the overnight window between 21:45 and 23:45. Investigators have narrowed the field to 6 suspects: Emiko (CFO), Xiomara (IT administrator), Ezra (facilities coordinator), Kenji (legal counsel), Dimitri (records clerk), Quincy (executive assistant).

Q Who took the sealed contract?

1. Emiko's elevator key was activated at 21:45 at the conference room B.
2. Kenji's security badge log places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
3. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Xiomara's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
4. Emiko has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 21:45.
5. Ezra's witness account places them at a documented training session from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
6. Elevator key access to the conference room B is restricted to Emiko, Ezra.
7. Xiomara's VPN session log places them at a hospital visit from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
8. Quincy's elevator log places them at an offsite location from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
9. The corporate theft required professional restoration training. Only Kenji, Xiomara, Emiko have it among the suspects.
10. Emiko had a documented grievance, well-documented in HR records.

11. Dimitri's door access record places them at a hospital visit from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
 A) Dimitri B) Quincy C) Ezra D) Emiko E) Xiomara F) Kenji

CASE 04

A silver chalice was taken from the second-floor gallery of Whitmore Museum during the overnight window between 19:15 and 21:45. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Hakim (security guard), Fariha (docent), Ilya (night security), Mateo (art restorer), Pavel (curator).

Q Who took the silver chalice?

1. Hakim's witness testimony places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
2. Pavel's master key was activated at 19:15 at the second-floor gallery.
3. Master key access to the second-floor gallery is restricted to Pavel, Ilya, Fariha.
4. Mateo's badge swipe log places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
5. Pavel has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:15.
6. Pavel had passed-over promotion, well-documented in HR records.
7. Fariha's security camera places them at a remote conference from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
8. The theft required firmware manipulation. Only Ilya, Pavel, Fariha have it among the suspects.
9. Ilya's door sensor places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.

A) Fariha B) Pavel C) Ilya D) Hakim E) Mateo

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CASE 05

A final exam answer sheet was taken from the science lab of Pemberton School during the overnight window between 19:15 and 21:45. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Polina (secretary), Stellan (department head), Damaris (teacher), Tatum (janitor), Kerensa (coach).

Q Who took the final exam answer sheet?

1. Stellan's keycard log places them at a hospital visit from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
2. The theft required complex schematic knowledge. Only Damaris, Polina, Stellan have it among the suspects.
3. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Damaris's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
4. Tatum's printer log places them at a hospital visit from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
5. Polina has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:15.
6. Damaris's witness statement places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
7. Master key access to the science lab is restricted to Polina, Kerensa, Tatum.
8. Kerensa's witness statement places them at an offsite location from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
9. Polina's master key was activated at 19:15 at the science lab.
- 10 Polina had outstanding financial debt, well-documented in HR records.

A) Tatum	B) Kerensa	C) Damaris	D) Stellan	E) Polina
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CASE 06

A bronze sculpture was taken from the prep workshop of Aldworth Collection during the overnight window between 21:45 and 23:45. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Polina (gift shop manager), Lior (curator), Nadia (night security), Dario (docent), Sora (art restorer).

Q Who took the bronze sculpture?

1. Sora has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 21:45.
2. Sora's security badge was activated at 21:45 at the prep workshop.
3. Sora had an ongoing dispute with management, well-documented in HR records.
4. Security badge access to the prep workshop is restricted to Sora, Lior.
5. Lior's door sensor places them at a hospital visit from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
6. The theft required firmware manipulation. Only Sora, Dario, Nadia have it among the suspects.
7. Dario's door sensor places them at an offsite location from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
8. Polina's witness testimony places them at an offsite location from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.
9. Nadia's witness testimony places them at an offsite location from 21:45 to roughly 23:45.

A) Sora	B) Polina	C) Lior	D) Nadia	E) Dario
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Answer Key – Deduction Mysteries

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

Case 01 E) Elara

- ☒ The theft required advanced lock-picking expertise, research-room pass, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Juno lacks the required advanced lock-picking expertise – cleared.
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Case 02 B) Bram

- ☒ The theft required advanced lock-picking expertise, master key, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Finnegan lacks the required advanced lock-picking expertise – cleared.
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Case 03 D) Emiko

- ☒ The corporate theft required professional restoration training, elevator key, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Xiomara has the skill but no elevator key – cleared.
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Case 04 B) Pavel

- ☒ The theft required firmware manipulation, master key, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Hakim lacks the required firmware manipulation – cleared.
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Case 05 E) Polina

- ☒ The theft required complex schematic knowledge, master key, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Stellan has the skill but no master key – cleared.
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Case 06 A) Sora

- ☒ The theft required firmware manipulation, security badge, and a motivating reason.
- ☒ Polina lacks the required firmware manipulation – cleared.