

Deduction Mysteries

CASE 01

A curator notebook was taken from the restoration room of Pemberton Research Library during the overnight window between 19:15 and 21:45. Investigators have narrowed the field to 6 suspects: Omari (rare-books curator), Eleni (volunteer), Tomas (head librarian), Sami (reference librarian), Jules (custodian), Ramona (intern).

Q Who took the curator notebook?

1. Tomas's book-checkout record places them at a remote conference from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
2. Reading-room pass access to the restoration room is restricted to Eleni, Omari, Tomas.
3. Omari's security camera places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
4. Eleni has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:15.
5. Eleni's reading-room pass was activated at 19:15 at the restoration room.
6. Eleni had recent disciplinary action, well-documented in HR records.
7. Ramona's book-checkout record places them at a remote conference from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
8. Jules's security camera places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
9. The theft required firmware manipulation. Only Eleni, Ramona, Omari have it among the suspects.
- 10 Sami's archive log places them at a hospital visit from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.

A) Sami	B) Omari	C) Ramona	D) Tomas	E) Eleni	F) Jules
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CASE 02

The box-office receipts were taken from the green room of Helix Repertory during the overnight window between 19:30 and 21:00. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Vera (stage manager), Dimitri (lead actor), Xanthe (director), Caelan (box-office manager), Ines (lighting tech).

Q Who took the box-office receipts?

1. Dimitri had a documented grievance, well-documented in HR records.
2. Ines's box-office system places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 19:30 to roughly 21:00.
3. Xanthe's dressing-room sign-in places them at a remote conference from 19:30 to roughly 21:00.
4. The theft required encryption key generation. Only Dimitri, Caelan, Xanthe have it among the suspects.
5. Vera's props inventory log places them at a remote conference from 19:30 to roughly 21:00.
6. Dimitri's backstage pass was activated at 19:30 at the green room.
7. Caelan's rehearsal sign-in places them at a remote conference from 19:30 to roughly 21:00.
8. Backstage pass access to the green room is restricted to Dimitri, Ines.
9. Dimitri has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:30.

A) Xanthe	B) Ines	C) Vera	D) Caelan	E) Dimitri
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CASE 03

The patient records were taken from the medication closet of Helix Health Center during the overnight window between 19:15 and 21:45. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Nadia (attending physician), Wilder (administrator), Eleni (technician), Quincy (medical resident), Kasimir (security officer).

Q Who took the patient records?

1. The theft required social-engineering skill. Only Kasimir, Nadia, Quincy have it among the suspects.
2. Eleni's badge log places them at a hospital visit from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
3. Quincy has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:15.
4. Hospital badge access to the medication closet is restricted to Quincy, Wilder.
5. Kasimir's medication audit places them at a remote conference from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
6. Quincy had recent disciplinary action, well-documented in HR records.
7. Wilder's elevator log places them at a hospital visit from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
8. Nadia's medication audit places them at a documented training session from 19:15 to roughly 21:45.
9. Quincy's hospital badge was activated at 19:15 at the medication closet.

A) Eleni	B) Kasimir	C) Nadia	D) Wilder	E) Quincy
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CASE 04

A head chef's knife set was taken from the prep kitchen of Aldermarsh Bistro during the overnight window between 20:00 and 22:00. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Elspeth (server), Selene (host), Jules (pastry chef), Adrian (sommelier), Rosalind (sous chef).

Q Who took the head chef's knife set?

1. Selene's kitchen camera places them at a remote conference from 20:00 to roughly 22:00.
2. The theft required social-engineering skill. Only Rosalind, Elspeth, Adrian have it among the suspects.
3. Adrian's witness server places them at an offsite location from 20:00 to roughly 22:00.
4. Rosalind has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 20:00.
5. Elspeth's POS log places them at an offsite location from 20:00 to roughly 22:00.
6. Jules's front-of-house camera places them at a documented training session from 20:00 to roughly 22:00.
7. Rosalind's register code was activated at 20:00 at the prep kitchen.
8. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Jules's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
9. Register code access to the prep kitchen is restricted to Rosalind, Selene, Elspeth.
10. Rosalind had passed-over promotion, well-documented in HR records.

A) Selene	B) Adrian	C) Jules	D) Rosalind	E) Elspeth
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CASE 05

An archive password log was taken from the curator office of Saint-Clair Collection during the overnight window between 19:10 and 21:00. Investigators have narrowed the field to 6 suspects: Hadley (archivist), Theo (rare-books curator), Damaris (custodian), Renata (visiting scholar), Odell (research assistant), Kasimir (reference librarian).

Q Who took the archive password log?

1. The theft required social-engineering skill. Only Kasimir, Damaris, Hadley have it among the suspects.
2. Kasimir's reading-room pass was activated at 19:10 at the curator office.
3. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Hadley's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
4. Theo's archive log places them at a hospital visit from 19:10 to roughly 21:00.
5. Renata's security camera places them at a hospital visit from 19:10 to roughly 21:00.
6. Odell's archive log places them at a documented training session from 19:10 to roughly 21:00.
7. Reading-room pass access to the curator office is restricted to Kasimir, Renata, Damaris.
8. Kasimir has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:10.
9. Hadley's archive log places them at a hospital visit from 19:10 to roughly 21:00.
- 10 Damaris's archive log places them at a documented training session from 19:10 to roughly 21:00.
- 11 Kasimir had recent disciplinary action, well-documented in HR records.

A) Hadley	B) Renata	C) Damaris	D) Theo	E) Odell	F) Kasimir
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CASE 06

A rare ingredient was taken from the dining floor of The Briar Room during the overnight window between 19:45 and 21:30. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Zephyr (bartender), Yvonne (head chef), Phaedra (host), Vidal (server), Emiko (line cook).

Q Who took the rare ingredient?

1. Vidal's witness server places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 19:45 to roughly 21:30.
2. Zephyr has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:45.
3. Register code access to the dining floor is restricted to Zephyr, Emiko.
4. The theft required social-engineering skill. Only Yvonne, Phaedra, Zephyr have it among the suspects.
5. Zephyr had recent disciplinary action, well-documented in HR records.
6. Yvonne's reservation system places them at a remote conference from 19:45 to roughly 21:30.
7. Emiko's kitchen camera places them at a remote conference from 19:45 to roughly 21:30.
8. Phaedra's reservation system places them at a documented training session from 19:45 to roughly 21:30.
9. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Emiko's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
- 10 Zephyr's register code was activated at 19:45 at the dining floor.

A) Zephyr	B) Yvonne	C) Emiko	D) Phaedra	E) Vidal
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Answer Key – Deduction Mysteries

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

Case 01 E) Eleni

- ❑ The theft required firmware manipulation, reading-room pass, and a motivating reason.
 - ❑ Omari has skill and access but a verified alibi places them offsite – cleared.
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Case 02 E) Dimitri

- ❑ The theft required encryption key generation, backstage pass, and a motivating reason.
 - ❑ Vera lacks the required encryption key generation – cleared.
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Case 03 E) Quincy

- ❑ The theft required social-engineering skill, hospital badge, and a motivating reason.
 - ❑ Nadia has the skill but no hospital badge – cleared.
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Case 04 D) Rosalind

- ❑ The theft required social-engineering skill, register code, and a motivating reason.
 - ❑ Elspeth has skill and access but a verified alibi places them offsite – cleared.
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Case 05 F) Kasimir

- ❑ The theft required social-engineering skill, reading-room pass, and a motivating reason.
 - ❑ Hadley has the skill but no reading-room pass – cleared.
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Case 06 A) Zephyr

- ❑ The theft required social-engineering skill, register code, and a motivating reason.
 - ❑ Yvonne has the skill but no register code – cleared.
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