

Deduction Mysteries

CASE 01

A reservation book was taken from the dining floor of Octavia's during the overnight window between 19:45 and 21:00. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Rosalind (sommelier), Selene (bartender), Talia (dishwasher), Stellan (manager), Hattie (line cook).

Q Who took the reservation book?

1. Rosalind's time-clock record places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 19:45 to roughly 21:00.
2. The theft required professional restoration training. Only Talia, Selene, Stellan have it among the suspects.
3. Talia's POS log places them at a documented training session from 19:45 to roughly 21:00.
4. Hattie's POS log places them at a hospital visit from 19:45 to roughly 21:00.
5. Selene had outstanding financial debt, well-documented in HR records.
6. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Hattie's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
7. Selene's manager key was activated at 19:45 at the dining floor.
8. Stellan's POS log places them at a remote conference from 19:45 to roughly 21:00.
9. Selene has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 19:45.
- 10 Manager key access to the dining floor is restricted to Talia, Selene, Stellan.

A) Selene	B) Stellan	C) Talia	D) Hattie	E) Rosalind
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CASE 02

A rare vintage tool was taken from the manager's office of Helix Restoration during the overnight window between 21:45 and 23:30. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Marisol (quality inspector), Ramona (master mechanic), Maeve (customer service rep), Phaedra (electrician), Lana (machinist).

Q Who took the rare vintage tool?

1. Marisol had an ongoing dispute with management, well-documented in HR records.
2. Marisol's tool-crib key was activated at 21:45 at the manager's office.
3. Phaedra's door sensor places them at an offsite location from 21:45 to roughly 23:30.
4. Maeve's door sensor places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 21:45 to roughly 23:30.
5. The theft required firmware manipulation. Only Maeve, Ramona, Marisol have it among the suspects.
6. Marisol has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 21:45.
7. Tool-crib key access to the manager's office is restricted to Ramona, Marisol.
8. Lana's time-clock log places them at an offsite location from 21:45 to roughly 23:30.
9. Ramona's parts-room audit places them at a documented training session from 21:45 to roughly 23:30.
- 10 A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Maeve's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.

A) Phaedra	B) Ramona	C) Marisol	D) Lana	E) Maeve
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CASE 03

The adoption papers were taken from the restricted reading room of Helix Heritage Foundation during the overnight window between 20:15 and 22:30. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Faye (records administrator), Kerensa (administrator), Daphne (volunteer), Mei (head archivist), Yusuf (clerk).

Q Who took the adoption papers?

1. Mei's camera footage places them at a documented training session from 20:15 to roughly 22:30.
2. Daphne's camera footage places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 20:15 to roughly 22:30.
3. Yusuf's vault key was activated at 20:15 at the restricted reading room.
4. Faye's archive log places them at a hospital visit from 20:15 to roughly 22:30.
5. Kerensa's camera footage places them at a documented training session from 20:15 to roughly 22:30.
6. The theft required complex schematic knowledge. Only Yusuf, Kerensa, Daphne have it among the suspects.
7. Vault key access to the restricted reading room is restricted to Yusuf, Faye, Kerensa.
8. Yusuf has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 20:15.
9. Yusuf had an ongoing dispute with management, well-documented in HR records.

 A) Yusuf B) Kerensa C) Daphne D) Mei E) Faye

CASE 04

A birth certificate was taken from the research area of City Records Office during the overnight window between 21:30 and 23:30. Investigators have narrowed the field to 6 suspects: Leila (researcher), Talia (clerk), Anastasia (head archivist), Mei (intern), Arjun (conservation specialist), Lana (administrator).

Q Who took the birth certificate?

1. Research-room pass access to the research area is restricted to Mei, Lana.
2. Talia's camera footage places them at a documented training session from 21:30 to roughly 23:30.
3. Lana's research-room pass was activated at 21:30 at the research area.
4. Leila's vault entry record places them at a remote conference from 21:30 to roughly 23:30.
5. The theft required medical sedative protocols. Only Lana, Arjun, Leila have it among the suspects.
6. Mei's camera footage places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 21:30 to roughly 23:30.
7. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Leila's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
8. Anastasia's badge swipe places them at a remote conference from 21:30 to roughly 23:30.
9. Arjun's camera footage places them at a remote conference from 21:30 to roughly 23:30.
10. Lana had recent disciplinary action, well-documented in HR records.
11. Lana has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 21:30.

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CASE 05

A reference card index was taken from the staff workroom of Saint-Clair Collection during the overnight window between 21:00 and 23:15. Investigators have narrowed the field to 6 suspects: Ezra (head librarian), Anastasia (volunteer), Leila (rare-books curator), Kasimir (reference librarian), Frida (intern), Indira (archivist).

Q Who took the reference card index?

1. Ezra's reading-room pass was activated at 21:00 at the staff workroom.
2. Ezra had recent disciplinary action, well-documented in HR records.
3. Anastasia's archive log places them at a remote conference from 21:00 to roughly 23:15.
4. Frida's witness patron places them at a documented training session from 21:00 to roughly 23:15.
5. The theft required advanced lock-picking expertise. Only Ezra, Frida, Leila have it among the suspects.
6. Ezra has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 21:00.
7. Indira's door sensor places them at a documented training session from 21:00 to roughly 23:15.
8. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Leila's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
9. Kasimir's witness patron places them at a hospital visit from 21:00 to roughly 23:15.
- 10 Reading-room pass access to the staff workroom is restricted to Ezra, Anastasia.
- 11 Leila's door sensor places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 21:00 to

roughly 23:15.	A) Frida	B) Kasimir	C) Anastasia	D) Leila	E) Indira	F) Ezra
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CASE 06

The sealed wills were taken from the conservation room of City Records Office during the overnight window between 20:45 and 22:00. Investigators have narrowed the field to 5 suspects: Vera (intern), Indira (administrator), Oren (volunteer), Roksana (researcher), Hiroshi (head archivist).

Q Who took the sealed wills?

1. Vera's vault entry record places them at a hospital visit from 20:45 to roughly 22:00.
2. Roksana's vault entry record places them at a remote conference from 20:45 to roughly 22:00.
3. Oren has no verifiable account of their whereabouts after 20:45.
4. Oren's admin code was activated at 20:45 at the conservation room.
5. Admin code access to the conservation room is restricted to Oren, Hiroshi, Vera.
6. Oren had an ongoing dispute with management, well-documented in HR records.
7. A discarded note near the scene briefly suggested Hiroshi's involvement, but it was later traced to an unrelated incident.
8. Indira's camera footage places them at a public event with hundreds of attendees from 20:45 to roughly 22:00.
9. The theft required encryption key generation. Only Oren, Vera, Roksana have it among the suspects.
- 10 Hiroshi's badge swipe places them at a hospital visit from 20:45 to roughly 22:00.

A) Indira	B) Oren	C) Hiroshi	D) Roksana	E) Vera
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Answer Key – Deduction Mysteries

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

Case 01 A) Selene

- ☒ The theft required professional restoration training, manager key, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Rosalind lacks the required professional restoration training – cleared.
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Case 02 C) Marisol

- ☒ The theft required firmware manipulation, tool-crib key, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Ramona has skill and access but a verified alibi places them offsite – cleared.
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Case 03 A) Yusuf

- ☒ The theft required complex schematic knowledge, vault key, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Faye lacks the required complex schematic knowledge – cleared.
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Case 04 F) Lana

- ☒ The theft required medical sedative protocols, research-room pass, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Leila has the skill but no research-room pass – cleared.
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Case 05 F) Ezra

- ☒ The theft required advanced lock-picking expertise, reading-room pass, and a motivating reason.
 - ☒ Anastasia lacks the required advanced lock-picking expertise – cleared.
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Case 06 B) Oren

- ☒ The theft required encryption key generation, admin code, and a motivating reason.
- ☒ Vera has skill and access but a verified alibi places them offsite – cleared.