

Red-Handed Easy

Seat everyone, place every object, and name whoever could not have told the truth.

CASE 01

A shot was heard at the lighthouse. The new foreman did not get up.

Exactly one account is false, and whoever gave it was alone at the lighthouse.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The wrench turned up at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I was with Iris.
Iris: Ask Hana – we were together.
Hana: Whoever had the rolling pin was not with me.
Bo: The rolling pin was in my hands.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

They carried the tax inspector out of the surgery at first light.

Exactly one account is false, and whoever gave it was alone at the surgery.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The wrench turned up at the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: Ask Dev – we were together.
Cira: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Ora: I never went near the surgery.
Dev: The lantern was in my hands.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

A shot was heard at the surgery. A man nobody in town knew did not get up.

Exactly one account is false, and whoever gave it was alone at the surgery.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The revolver was found at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: Ask Jax – we were together.
Sol: The flower pail was in the room I was in.
Cira: I never left Gus's side.
Jax: I never touched the flower pail.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The new foreman was found at the workshop, and not breathing.

Exactly one account is false, and whoever gave it was alone at the workshop.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The workshop was clean – no sign of the oil can.
- The knife was found at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I never left Dev's side.
Hana: I never went near the workshop.
Iris: The oil can was nowhere near me.
Dev: Iris and I were together the whole time.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

The mine agent was found dead at the apiary.

Exactly one account is false, and whoever gave it was alone at the apiary.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The studio was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The kettle was never at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: I was with Finn.
Mira: Ask Bo – we were together.
Bo: The bolt cutter was never in my hands.
Finn: I was the one carrying the bolt cutter.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

The strongbox was emptied at the market, and the keeper never woke.

Exactly one account is false, and whoever gave it was alone at the market.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bee smoker was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: Ask Finn – we were together.
Finn: The basket was nowhere near me.
Esme: I never left Kit's side.
Kit: Whoever had the basket was with me.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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Answer Key – Red-Handed Easy

Solve before peeking. The liar is the one who was alone at the scene.

Case 01	Nils	alone at the lighthouse	Nils said: "I was with Iris." Iris was at the back office, and Nils was at the lighthouse. They were not together.
Case 02	Cira	alone at the surgery	Cira said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the studio, and Cira was at the surgery. They were not together.
Case 03	Cira	alone at the surgery	Cira said: "I never left Gus's side." Gus was at the studio, and Cira was at the surgery. They were not together.
Case 04	Sol	alone at the workshop	Sol said: "I never left Dev's side." Dev was at the apiary, and Sol was at the workshop. They were not together.
Case 05	Mira	alone at the apiary	Mira said: "Ask Bo – we were together." Bo was at the ferry dock, and Mira was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 06	Dev	alone at the market	Dev said: "Ask Finn – we were together." Finn was at the surgery, and Dev was at the market. They were not together.