

Red-Handed Easy

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

CASE 01

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 brass key turned up at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: The lantern was in the room I was in.
Ora: Wherever the lantern was, I was not.
Finn: I was with Iris.
Iris: Ask Ora – we were together.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

A shot was heard at the lighthouse. The tax inspector did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the oil can from the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: Wherever the bolt cutter was, I was not.
Ada: Whoever had the bolt cutter was with me.
Hana: Ask Sol – we were together.
Finn: Hana and I were together the whole time.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

A shot was heard at the lighthouse. A traveller off the mainland boat 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 knife turned up at the ferry dock.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the tankard.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: Ask Gus – we were together.
Ora: The lighthouse? I did not set foot in it.
Finn: I never left Esme's side.
Gus: The tankard was nowhere near me.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the cobblers. The company man did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the key blank from the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: Ask Lior – we were together.
Bo: I had the brass key.
Finn: I spent the whole evening at the clock tower.
Lior: I was with Bo.

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

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CASE 05

A man nobody in town knew was found at the studio, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The kettle turned up at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I never left Mira's side.
Mira: If you find the oil can, you find where I was.
Nils: I never touched the oil can.
Finn: Nils and I were together the whole time.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

The debt collector was found dead at the surgery.

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 tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: Ask Sol – we were together.
Sol: The lantern was in the room I was in.
Nils: I never left Gus's side.
Gus: I never touched the lantern.

LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

NOTES

Answer Key – Red-Handed Easy

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

Case 01	Finn	alone at the market
Finn said: "I was with Iris." Iris was at the studio, and Finn was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 02	Finn	alone at the lighthouse
Finn said: "Hana and I were together the whole time." Hana was at the market, and Finn was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		

Case 03	Finn	alone at the lighthouse
Finn said: "I never left Esme's side." Esme was at the ferry dock, and Finn was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		

Case 04	Hana	alone at the cobblers
Hana said: "Ask Lior – we were together." Lior was at the workshop, and Hana was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 05	Finn	alone at the studio
Finn said: "Nils and I were together the whole time." Nils was at the bakery, and Finn was at the studio. They were not together.		

Case 06	Nils	alone at the surgery
Nils said: "I never left Gus's side." Gus was at the tailor shop, and Nils was at the surgery. They were not together.		