

Red-Handed Easy

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

CASE 01

The night clerk was found face down at the library.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The crowbar was found at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: Whoever had the flower pail was not with me.
Esme: I never left Mira's side.
Dev: I was the one carrying the flower pail.
Ora: Ask Esme – we were together.

CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the bee smoker from the market.
- The wrench was never at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Ask Sol – we were together.
Hana: Ora and I were together the whole time.
Sol: I was nowhere near the apiary all evening.
Ada: Wherever the bee smoker was, I was not.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The wrench turned up at the saloon.
- They recovered the poison bottle from the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I was nowhere near the cobblers all evening.
Kit: Hana and I were together the whole time.
Jax: I never touched the wrench.
Hana: I was with Lior.

SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The tax inspector was found face down at the saloon.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter was found at the surgery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I never went near the saloon.
Kit: The tankard was in my hands.
Gus: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Jax: I never left Gus's side.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

They carried the stranger off the evening ferry out of the cobblers at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The cobblers was clean – no sign of the oil can.
- The brass key was found at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: The cobblers? I did not set foot in it.
Dev: Ask Bo – we were together.
Esme: The oil can was nowhere near me.
Bo: I never left Esme's side.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

They carried the new foreman out of the bakery at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The brass key turned up at the tailor shop.
- They recovered the bolt cutter from the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: I never left Mira's side.
Sol: I was with Jax.
Esme: I never went near the bakery.
Mira: The bolt cutter was never in my hands.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 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	Ora	alone at the library
Ora said: "Ask Esme — we were together." Esme was at the clock tower, and Ora was at the library. They were not together.		

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

Case 03	Kit	alone at the cobblers
Kit said: "Hana and I were together the whole time." Hana was at the saloon, and Kit was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 04	Jax	alone at the saloon
Jax said: "I never left Gus's side." Gus was at the back office, and Jax was at the saloon. They were not together.		

Case 05	Dev	alone at the cobblers
Dev said: "Ask Bo — we were together." Bo was at the tailor shop, and Dev was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 06	Sol	alone at the bakery
Sol said: "I was with Jax." Jax was at the tailor shop, and Sol was at the bakery. They were not together.		