

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 cobblers. The mine agent did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The flower pail was found at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: I never went near the cobblers.
Jax: The key blank was in the room I was in.
Ada: Ask Hana – we were together.
Hana: Jax and I were together the whole time.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

A stranger off the evening ferry was found face down at the post office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The post office was clean – no sign of the lantern.
- The oil can was found at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: I never left Mira's side.
Esme: I never touched the oil can.
Nils: I was nowhere near the post office all evening.
Mira: Nils and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 03

The company man was found face down at the garage.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter was found at the lighthouse.
- The kettle turned up at the library.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I never left Dev's side.
Finn: I was with Esme.
Dev: Wherever the bolt cutter was, I was not.
Nils: I never went near the garage.

LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The rolling pin was found at the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I was with Mira.
Dev: The bloodied cloth was in the room I was in.
Cira: Dev and I were together the whole time.
Mira: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was not with me.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

They carried the mine agent out of the market at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the key blank from the lighthouse.
- The ledger was never at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: Wherever the ledger was, I was not.
Esme: Iris and I were together the whole time.
Hana: I was nowhere near the market all evening.
Iris: I was with Gus.

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

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The key blank turned up at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: I never left Nils's side.
Nils: If you find the crowbar, you find where I was.
Gus: I never went near the studio.
Sol: Kit and I were together the whole time.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (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	Ada	alone at the cobblers	Ada said: "Ask Hana – we were together." Hana was at the back office, and Ada was at the cobblers. They were not together.
Case 02	Bo	alone at the post office	Bo said: "I never left Mira's side." Mira was at the lighthouse, and Bo was at the post office. They were not together.
Case 03	Finn	alone at the garage	Finn said: "I was with Esme." Esme was at the library, and Finn was at the garage. They were not together.
Case 04	Ora	alone at the tailor shop	Ora said: "I was with Mira." Mira was at the cobblers, and Ora was at the tailor shop. They were not together.
Case 05	Esme	alone at the market	Esme said: "Iris and I were together the whole time." Iris was at the lighthouse, and Esme was at the market. They were not together.
Case 06	Sol	alone at the studio	Sol said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the tailor shop, and Sol was at the studio. They were not together.