

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 apiary. The debt collector did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter was found at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: Ask Gus – we were together.
Esme: The bloodied cloth was in the room I was in.
Gus: I never left Esme's side.
Nils: I never went near the apiary.

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

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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the bee smoker from the workshop.
- The flower pail was found at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: Wherever the bee smoker was, I was not.
Nils: I never went near the ferry dock.
Jax: I never left Esme's side.
Esme: I was with Dev.

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

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CASE 03

A shot was heard at the cobblers. The night clerk 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 wrench from the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: I was with Jax.
Jax: I had the flower pail.
Finn: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Nils: The cobblers? I did not set foot in it.

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

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the bakery. The debt collector did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the glass plate from the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I could not tell you where the bolt cutter was.
Gus: I had the bolt cutter.
Lior: Ask Nils – we were together.
Iris: Gus and I were together the whole time.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

The mine agent was found at the library, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bee smoker turned up at the back office.
- The library was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I was nowhere near the library all evening.
Jax: I never left Sol's side.
Sol: I was with Hana.
Hana: The bolt cutter was nowhere near me.

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

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CASE 06

They carried the night clerk 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)

- They recovered the rope from the library.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: If you find the wrench, you find where I was.
Sol: I never left Mira's side.
Mira: The wrench was nowhere near me.
Hana: Ask Sol – we were together.

LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 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	Iris	alone at the apiary	Iris said: "Ask Gus – we were together." Gus was at the garage, and Iris was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 02	Jax	alone at the ferry dock	Jax said: "I never left Esme's side." Esme was at the lighthouse, and Jax was at the ferry dock. They were not together.
Case 03	Finn	alone at the cobblers	Finn said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the back office, and Finn was at the cobblers. They were not together.
Case 04	Lior	alone at the bakery	Lior said: "Ask Nils – we were together." Nils was at the cobblers, and Lior was at the bakery. They were not together.
Case 05	Jax	alone at the library	Jax said: "I never left Sol's side." Sol was at the back office, and Jax was at the library. They were not together.
Case 06	Hana	alone at the bakery	Hana said: "Ask Sol – we were together." Sol was at the library, and Hana was at the bakery. They were not together.