

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 garage. The night clerk did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bee smoker was found at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: Ora and I were together the whole time.
Ora: I never left Lior's side.
Cira: I was the one carrying the crowbar.
Lior: Whoever had the crowbar was not with me.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

They carried the insurance man 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 workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: I was with Jax.
Jax: Ask Dev – we were together.
Dev: The flower pail was nowhere near me.
Cira: If you find the flower pail, you find where I was.

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

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CASE 03

A traveller off the mainland boat was found at the cobblers, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the flower pail from the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I could not tell you where the bolt cutter was.
Sol: I had the bolt cutter.
Bo: Ask Esme – we were together.
Esme: Sol and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 04

A stranger off the evening ferry was found at the ferry dock, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The knife was found at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: Gus and I were together the whole time.
Gus: The revolver was never in my hands.
Ada: I was with Sol.
Esme: Whoever had the revolver was with me.

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

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CASE 05

The tax inspector was found dead at the garage.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The hammer turned up at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: I never left Iris's side.
Mira: If you find the crowbar, you find where I was.
Ada: Ask Finn – we were together.
Iris: The crowbar was nowhere near me.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the basket from the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I could not tell you where the knife was.
Ada: Whoever had the knife was with me.
Dev: Sol and I were together the whole time.
Gus: I never left Dev's side.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET 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	Gus	alone at the garage	Gus said: "Ora and I were together the whole time." Ora was at the market, and Gus was at the garage. They were not together.
Case 02	Ada	alone at the market	Ada said: "I was with Jax." Jax was at the workshop, and Ada was at the market. They were not together.
Case 03	Bo	alone at the cobblers	Bo said: "Ask Esme – we were together." Esme was at the workshop, and Bo was at the cobblers. They were not together.
Case 04	Ada	alone at the ferry dock	Ada said: "I was with Sol." Sol was at the apiary, and Ada was at the ferry dock. They were not together.
Case 05	Ada	alone at the garage	Ada said: "Ask Finn – we were together." Finn was at the ferry dock, and Ada was at the garage. They were not together.
Case 06	Gus	alone at the lighthouse	Gus said: "I never left Dev's side." Dev was at the ferry dock, and Gus was at the lighthouse. They were not together.