

Red-Handed Easy

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

CASE 01

The night clerk was found dead at the back office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The oil can was found at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I never left Cira's side.
Kit: The bolt cutter was in my hands.
Esme: Ask Mira – we were together.
Cira: I never touched the bolt cutter.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

The insurance man was found face down at the back office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The lantern turned up at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: The tankard was in the room I was in.
Dev: Ask Esme – we were together.
Kit: I never went near the back office.
Finn: I never left Dev's side.

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

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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the lantern from the post office.
- The flower pail was never at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I could not tell you where the flower pail was.
Finn: I was with Ora.
Kit: I was nowhere near the studio all evening.
Ada: Finn and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 04

They carried the tax inspector out of the library at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The key blank turned up at the post office.
- They recovered the glass plate from the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I never left Cira's side.
Jax: I was with Esme.
Cira: I never went near the library.
Bo: The key blank was never in my hands.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A man nobody in town knew 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 bee smoker was found at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I had the poison bottle.
Iris: The poison bottle was nowhere near me.
Gus: Ask Iris – we were together.
Bo: Gus and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 06

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)

- Nothing puts the basket at the ferry dock.
- They recovered the kettle from the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I never left Lior's side.
Jax: The ferry dock? I did not set foot in it.
Lior: Ask Bo – we were together.
Bo: The basket was nowhere near me.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 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	Esme	alone at the back office
Esme said: "Ask Mira — we were together." Mira was at the ferry dock, and Esme was at the back office. They were not together.		

Case 02	Finn	alone at the back office
Finn said: "I never left Dev's side." Dev was at the lighthouse, and Finn was at the back office. They were not together.		

Case 03	Ada	alone at the studio
Ada said: "Finn and I were together the whole time." Finn was at the post office, and Ada was at the studio. They were not together.		

Case 04	Jax	alone at the library
Jax said: "I was with Esme." Esme was at the post office, and Jax was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 05	Bo	alone at the ferry dock
Bo said: "Gus and I were together the whole time." Gus was at the lighthouse, and Bo was at the ferry dock. They were not together.		

Case 06	Ora	alone at the ferry dock
Ora said: "I never left Lior's side." Lior was at the back office, and Ora was at the ferry dock. They were not together.		