

Red-Handed Easy

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

CASE 01

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The lantern turned up at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: Lior and I were together the whole time.
Mira: If you find the hammer, you find where I was.
Jax: I never went near the clock tower.
Lior: Ask Mira – we were together.

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

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CASE 02

The tax inspector was found at the bakery, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The ledger turned up at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I was with Lior.
Bo: I was the one carrying the bloodied cloth.
Lior: I never touched the bloodied cloth.
Gus: I never left Iris's side.

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

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CASE 03

The debt collector was found at the garage, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bloodied cloth was found at the workshop.
- The brass key turned up at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Kit: I never left Nils's side.
Ora: Wherever the bloodied cloth was, I was not.
Nils: I never went near the garage.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the apiary. The night clerk 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 hammer turned up at the library.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: The brass key was nowhere near me.
Ora: I was with Kit.
Kit: I had the brass key.
Cira: Ora and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 05

A man nobody in town knew was found dead at the surgery.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the hammer at the back office.
- The surgery was clean – no sign of the hammer.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: Ask Lior – we were together.
Cira: Finn and I were together the whole time.
Lior: Whoever had the bolt cutter was not with me.
Finn: The bolt cutter was in my hands.

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

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CASE 06

They carried the new foreman out of the back office at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The brass key was never at the market.
- Nothing puts the brass key at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: Nils and I were together the whole time.
Nils: The flower pail was in the room I was in.
Bo: Wherever the flower pail was, I was not.
Ora: Ask Bo – we were together.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON 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	Nils	alone at the clock tower	Nils said: "Lior and I were together the whole time." Lior was at the ferry dock, and Nils was at the clock tower. They were not together.
Case 02	Gus	alone at the bakery	Gus said: "I never left Iris's side." Iris was at the garage, and Gus was at the bakery. They were not together.
Case 03	Jax	alone at the garage	Jax said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the workshop, and Jax was at the garage. They were not together.
Case 04	Cira	alone at the apiary	Cira said: "Ora and I were together the whole time." Ora was at the post office, and Cira was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 05	Mira	alone at the surgery	Mira said: "Ask Lior – we were together." Lior was at the cobblers, and Mira was at the surgery. They were not together.
Case 06	Ora	alone at the back office	Ora said: "Ask Bo – we were together." Bo was at the saloon, and Ora was at the back office. They were not together.