

Red-Handed Sherlock

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

CASE 01

A man nobody in town knew was found face down at the market.

Exactly two accounts are false. One of the two liars was alone at the market – that one did it.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The knife was found at the library.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the lighthouse.
- The bakery was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.
- The poison bottle was never at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: Ask Iris – we were together.
 Sol: I spent the whole evening at the library.
 Lior: I never left Sol's side.
 Jax: Whoever had the rolling pin was with me.
 Nils: The knife was never in my hands.
 Iris: If you find the basket, you find where I was.

LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

They carried the mine agent out of the post office at first light.

Exactly two accounts are false. One of the two liars was alone at the post office – that one did it.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The crowbar was found at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the surgery.
- They recovered the brass key from the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: Whoever had the oil can was with me.
 Hana: The rope was never in my hands.
 Nils: If you find the brass key, you find where I was.
 Kit: I was at the surgery.
 Lior: I was with Nils.
 Ora: Ask Lior – we were together.

SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

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

Exactly two accounts are false. One of the two liars was alone at the library – that one did it.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The back office was clean – no sign of the glass plate.
- The glass plate was never at the library.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the back office.
- They recovered the flower pail from the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: If you find the flower pail, you find where I was.
Sol: I never left Jax's side.
Jax: I was with Mira.
Kit: I could not tell you where the flower pail was.
Gus: Whoever had the ledger was not with me.
Esme: The bolt cutter was in the room I was in.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

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

Exactly two accounts are false. One of the two liars was alone at the clock tower – that one did it.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the hammer at the saloon.
- They recovered the bloodied cloth from the ferry dock.
- The wrench was found at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: Mira and I were together the whole time.
Mira: If you find the bloodied cloth, you find where I was.
Sol: I had the wrench.
Cira: Ask Ada – we were together.
Iris: If you find the hammer, you find where I was.
Jax: I never touched the key blank.

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

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CASE 05

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

Exactly two accounts are false. One of the two liars was alone at the cobblers – that one did it.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bee smoker was never at the lighthouse.
- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the workshop.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the hammer.
- The ledger was found at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: Nils and I were together the whole time.
 Gus: The ledger was in my hands.
 Kit: Wherever the bolt cutter was, I was not.
 Nils: Ask Gus – we were together.
 Ora: The bee smoker was in my hands.
 Jax: You will find me at the lighthouse, and nowhere else.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

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

Exactly two accounts are false. One of the two liars was alone at the surgery – that one did it.

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The ledger was never at the ferry dock.
- The knife turned up at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I was the one carrying the ledger.
 Iris: Whoever had the knife was with me.
 Lior: I never left Ora's side.
 Mira: I was the one carrying the knife.
 Nils: Whoever had the knife was with me.
 Hana: Nils and I were together the whole time.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

NOTES

Answer Key — Red-Handed Sherlock

Solve before peeking. The liar is the one who was alone at the scene.

Case 01	Lior	alone at the market	Lior said: "I never left Sol's side." Sol was at the library, and Lior was at the market. They were not together. Jax also lied, but did not do it. Jax said: "Whoever had the rolling pin was with me." The rolling pin was at the market, but Jax was at the bakery.
Case 02	Ora	alone at the post office	Ora said: "Ask Lior — we were together." Lior was at the saloon, and Ora was at the post office. They were not together. Cira also lied, but did not do it. Cira said: "Whoever had the oil can was with me." The oil can was at the post office, but Cira was at the surgery.
Case 03	Sol	alone at the library	Sol said: "I never left Jax's side." Jax was at the bakery, and Sol was at the library. They were not together. Esme also lied, but did not do it. Esme said: "The bolt cutter was in the room I was in." The bolt cutter was at the library, but Esme was at the back office.
Case 04	Cira	alone at the clock tower	Cira said: "Ask Ada — we were together." Ada was at the ferry dock, and Cira was at the clock tower. They were not together. Iris also lied, but did not do it. Iris said: "If you find the hammer, you find where I was." The hammer was at the clock tower, but Iris was at the saloon.
Case 05	Sol	alone at the cobblers	Sol said: "Nils and I were together the whole time." Nils was at the apiary, and Sol was at the cobblers. They were not together. Ora also lied, but did not do it. Ora said: "The bee smoker was in my hands." The bee smoker was at the cobblers, but Ora was at the lighthouse.
Case 06	Lior	alone at the surgery	Lior said: "I never left Ora's side." Ora was at the cobblers, and Lior was at the surgery. They were not together. Nils also lied, but did not do it. Nils said: "Whoever had the knife was with me." The knife was at the market, but Nils was at the ferry dock.