

Red-Handed Expert

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 surgery.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The cobblers was clean – no sign of the basket.
- The basket was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the kettle at the cobblers.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The ledger was never at the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I could not tell you where the ledger was.
Hana: I had the kettle.
Ora: Mira and I were together the whole time.
Esme: I never left Hana's side.
Nils: I never touched the basket.
Bo: The kettle was nowhere near me.

COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The revolver was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the revolver at the post office.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The rope was never at the post office.
- Nothing puts the lantern at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never went near the library.
Nils: The kettle was in the room I was in.
Mira: Ask Gus – we were together.
Bo: I never touched the kettle.
Gus: The rope was in my hands.
Ada: I was with Nils.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

A shot was heard at the library. The night clerk did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the hammer at the ferry dock.
- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The brass key was found at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: The wrench was nowhere near me.
Finn: The library? I did not set foot in it.
Jax: I was with Mira.
Gus: The brass key was nowhere near me.
Sol: Lior and I were together the whole time.
Lior: Whoever had the flower pail was with me.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The ledger was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the ledger at the library.
- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the bloodied cloth.
- The bloodied cloth was never at the library.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I had the flower pail.
Ora: I was nowhere near the market all evening.
Dev: I was with Cira.
Esme: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was with me.
Cira: Lior and I were together the whole time.
Bo: I could not tell you where the flower pail was.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the apiary. A stranger off the evening ferry 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 market was clean – no sign of the basket.
- The basket was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the kettle at the market.
- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The flower pail was never at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: Wherever the oil can was, I was not.
Sol: Whoever had the basket was not with me.
Finn: I was nowhere near the apiary all evening.
Esme: Ask Dev – we were together.
Hana: Cira and I were together the whole time.
Dev: The kettle was in the room I was in.

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

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CASE 06

The insurance man was found dead at the apiary.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the oil can from the library.
- The key blank was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the glass plate at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I could not tell you where the revolver was.
Sol: Whoever had the key blank was not with me.
Esme: The glass plate was in my hands.
Gus: The apiary? I did not set foot in it.
Ora: I was with Esme.
Ada: Ask Mira – we were together.

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

NOTES

Answer Key – Red-Handed Expert

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

Case 01	Esme	alone at the surgery	Esme said: "I never left Hana's side." Hana was at the studio, and Esme was at the surgery. They were not together.
Case 02	Mira	alone at the library	Mira said: "Ask Gus – we were together." Gus was at the back office, and Mira was at the library. They were not together.
Case 03	Sol	alone at the library	Sol said: "Lior and I were together the whole time." Lior was at the tailor shop, and Sol was at the library. They were not together.
Case 04	Dev	alone at the market	Dev said: "I was with Cira." Cira was at the ferry dock, and Dev was at the market. They were not together.
Case 05	Esme	alone at the apiary	Esme said: "Ask Dev – we were together." Dev was at the back office, and Esme was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 06	Ora	alone at the apiary	Ora said: "I was with Esme." Esme was at the post office, and Ora was at the apiary. They were not together.