

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

A shot was heard at the bakery. A stranger off the evening ferry did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The workshop was clean – no sign of the ledger.
- The oil can was never at the workshop.
- The crowbar turned up at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: I never left Esme's side.
Sol: Whoever had the tankard was not with me.
Mira: Ask Sol – we were together.
Ada: I could not tell you where the oil can was.
Lior: I was at the workshop.
Esme: The oil can was in my hands.

CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

The tax inspector was found dead at the studio.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the basket at the bakery.
- The bakery was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The flower pail was found at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: I was with Bo.
Mira: The studio? I did not set foot in it.
Bo: I never touched the lantern.
Dev: I never left Cira's side.
Nils: I could not tell you where the knife was.
Cira: I had the knife.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

The new foreman was found face down at the market.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the hammer from the back office.
- The brass key was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the key blank at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: If you find the key blank, you find where I was.
Mira: Finn and I were together the whole time.
Finn: The bee smoker was never in my hands.
Iris: I could not tell you where the key blank was.
Hana: I never went near the market.
Esme: Kit and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The market was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The bee smoker was never at the market.
- The bolt cutter turned up at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: Sol and I were together the whole time.
Sol: Whoever had the bee smoker was with me.
Ada: I was nowhere near the back office all evening.
Esme: Wherever the flower pail was, I was not.
Lior: Esme and I were together the whole time.
Cira: I spent the whole evening at the market.

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

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CASE 05

The night clerk was found face down at the studio.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The revolver was never at the cobblers.
- Nothing puts the crowbar at the cobblers.
- They recovered the key blank from the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I was at the cobblers.
Hana: The crowbar was in my hands.
Cira: I could not tell you where the knife was.
Finn: I never left Hana's side.
Mira: The crowbar was never in my hands.
Ada: Ask Cira – we were together.

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

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CASE 06

They carried the man nobody in town knew out of the tailor shop at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The glass plate was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the crowbar at the back office.
- They recovered the key blank from the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I never touched the basket.
Hana: The crowbar was in the room I was in.
Esme: Hana and I were together the whole time.
Iris: I never touched the key blank.
Dev: I was with Sol.
Ora: The tailor shop? I did not set foot in it.

LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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Answer Key – Red-Handed Expert

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

Case 01	Jax	alone at the bakery	Jax said: "I never left Esme's side." Esme was at the garage, and Jax was at the bakery. They were not together.
Case 02	Dev	alone at the studio	Dev said: "I never left Cira's side." Cira was at the surgery, and Dev was at the studio. They were not together.
Case 03	Esme	alone at the market	Esme said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the cobblers, and Esme was at the market. They were not together.
Case 04	Mira	alone at the back office	Mira said: "Sol and I were together the whole time." Sol was at the library, and Mira was at the back office. They were not together.
Case 05	Finn	alone at the studio	Finn said: "I never left Hana's side." Hana was at the post office, and Finn was at the studio. They were not together.
Case 06	Esme	alone at the tailor shop	Esme said: "Hana and I were together the whole time." Hana was at the studio, and Esme was at the tailor shop. They were not together.