

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

A traveller off the mainland boat was found at the cobblers, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bakery was clean – no sign of the hammer.
- The hammer was never at the saloon.
- Nothing puts the basket at the bakery.
- The saloon was clean – no sign of the basket.
- The brass key was never at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: I was the one carrying the flower pail.
Kit: I never touched the basket.
Ada: Ask Jax – we were together.
Mira: I could not tell you where the flower pail was.
Iris: I had the basket.
Jax: I was with Hana.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

The new foreman was found dead at the post office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The back office was clean – no sign of the bee smoker.
- The bee smoker was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the rope at the back office.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The knife was never at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: If you find the rope, you find where I was.
Finn: I never left Jax's side.
Nils: I was with Bo.
Gus: The post office? I did not set foot in it.
Mira: I never touched the knife.
Jax: The ledger was never in my hands.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

The insurance man was found face down at the apiary.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the brass key at the garage.
- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The rope was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the rope at the ferry dock.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the tankard.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: The rolling pin was in the room I was in.
Iris: I was with Mira.
Jax: I never went near the apiary.
Kit: The rolling pin was never in my hands.
Mira: I was the one carrying the rope.
Lior: I was with Kit.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

They carried the debt collector out of the clock tower at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The market was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The oil can was never at the market.
- The kettle turned up at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: The clock tower? I did not set foot in it.
Mira: Whoever had the bolt cutter was not with me.
Dev: The crowbar was nowhere near me.
Iris: If you find the oil can, you find where I was.
Hana: Dev and I were together the whole time.
Gus: I never left Iris's side.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

They carried the stranger off the evening ferry 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 hammer was never at the surgery.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the surgery.
- They recovered the basket from the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: Whoever had the crowbar was not with me.
Nils: I was nowhere near the library all evening.
Esme: If you find the oil can, you find where I was.
Finn: Whoever had the basket was not with me.
Ora: Gus and I were together the whole time.
Hana: I never left Esme's side.

BAKERY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bloodied cloth turned up at the apiary.
- The back office was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The rope was never at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: The rope was nowhere near me.
Mira: Ask Hana – we were together.
Ada: Whoever had the rolling pin was not with me.
Gus: I never left Ada's side.
Iris: You will find me at the back office, and nowhere else.
Hana: Whoever had the rope was with me.

APIARY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 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	Ada	alone at the cobblers	Ada said: "Ask Jax – we were together." Jax was at the bakery, and Ada was at the cobblers. They were not together.
Case 02	Nils	alone at the post office	Nils said: "I was with Bo." Bo was at the cobblers, and Nils was at the post office. They were not together.
Case 03	Iris	alone at the apiary	Iris said: "I was with Mira." Mira was at the bakery, and Iris was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 04	Gus	alone at the clock tower	Gus said: "I never left Iris's side." Iris was at the surgery, and Gus was at the clock tower. They were not together.
Case 05	Hana	alone at the library	Hana said: "I never left Esme's side." Esme was at the post office, and Hana was at the library. They were not together.
Case 06	Mira	alone at the bakery	Mira said: "Ask Hana – we were together." Hana was at the clock tower, and Mira was at the bakery. They were not together.