

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

The insurance man was found at the post office, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The hammer was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the basket at the studio.
- They recovered the brass key from the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I had the basket.
Lior: Ask Nils – we were together.
Esme: Wherever the basket was, I was not.
Sol: Whoever had the rolling pin was not with me.
Iris: I was with Sol.
Ada: I could not tell you where the basket was.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The library was clean – no sign of the revolver.
- The revolver was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the kettle at the library.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The oil can was never at the library.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: The back office? I did not set foot in it.
Jax: I never went near the back office.
Kit: The lantern was in the room I was in.
Finn: Ada and I were together the whole time.
Ada: Whoever had the kettle was with me.
Mira: I was with Kit.

LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The knife turned up at the library.
- The cobblers was clean – no sign of the tankard.
- The flower pail was never at the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: Ask Ada – we were together.
Lior: Finn and I were together the whole time.
Finn: I had the flower pail.
Ada: The basket was never in my hands.
Nils: I could not tell you where the tankard was.
Sol: I never went near the apiary.

LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The mine agent was found face down at the lighthouse.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The market was clean – no sign of the lantern.
- The lantern was never at the saloon.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the market.
- The saloon was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.
- The bolt cutter was never at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: The lighthouse? I did not set foot in it.
Cira: I had the rolling pin.
Jax: I was with Cira.
Kit: Ask Gus – we were together.
Sol: I never went near the lighthouse.
Gus: The crowbar was in the room I was in.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

The night clerk was found dead at the lighthouse.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the glass plate at the apiary.
- The saloon was clean – no sign of the glass plate.
- The brass key was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the brass key at the saloon.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the wrench.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: The wrench was never in my hands.
Nils: The lighthouse? I did not set foot in it.
Ada: Esme and I were together the whole time.
Jax: The brass key was never in my hands.
Sol: I was with Lior.
Esme: Whoever had the brass key was with me.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

They carried the traveller off the mainland boat out of the garage at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the flower pail at the studio.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The ledger was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the ledger at the apiary.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the wrench.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: The glass plate was nowhere near me.
Bo: Ask Cira – we were together.
Gus: I never went near the garage.
Finn: The ledger was in the room I was in.
Cira: I was with Esme.
Esme: I had the glass plate.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 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	Lior	alone at the post office	Lior said: "Ask Nils – we were together." Nils was at the workshop, and Lior was at the post office. They were not together.
Case 02	Finn	alone at the back office	Finn said: "Ada and I were together the whole time." Ada was at the workshop, and Finn was at the back office. They were not together.
Case 03	Lior	alone at the apiary	Lior said: "Finn and I were together the whole time." Finn was at the garage, and Lior was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 04	Jax	alone at the lighthouse	Jax said: "I was with Cira." Cira was at the library, and Jax was at the lighthouse. They were not together.
Case 05	Ada	alone at the lighthouse	Ada said: "Esme and I were together the whole time." Esme was at the back office, and Ada was at the lighthouse. They were not together.
Case 06	Bo	alone at the garage	Bo said: "Ask Cira – we were together." Cira was at the studio, and Bo was at the garage. They were not together.