

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

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 saloon was clean – no sign of the ledger.
- The crowbar was found at the garage.
- Nothing puts the glass plate at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Wherever the ledger was, I was not.
Finn: Iris and I were together the whole time.
Sol: I was nowhere near the bakery all evening.
Iris: Wherever the brass key was, I was not.
Esme: Ask Lior – we were together.
Lior: The glass plate was in the room I was in.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The surgery was clean – no sign of the lantern.
- The lantern was never at the market.
- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the surgery.
- The market was clean – no sign of the bee smoker.
- The bloodied cloth was never at the surgery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: I was the one carrying the bee smoker.
Finn: Whoever had the lantern was not with me.
Ora: Ask Hana – we were together.
Dev: Cira and I were together the whole time.
Bo: I never touched the bee smoker.
Cira: The hammer was never in my hands.

SURGERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

A man nobody in town knew was found dead at the tailor shop.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The surgery was clean – no sign of the key blank.
- The revolver was found at the cobblers.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the surgery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I could not tell you where the basket was.
 Kit: Whoever had the oil can was with me.
 Sol: Cira and I were together the whole time.
 Dev: You will find me at the surgery, and nowhere else.
 Bo: I never touched the oil can.
 Esme: Ask Kit – we were together.

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

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CASE 04

They carried the stranger off the evening ferry out of the saloon at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter was found at the post office.
- Nothing puts the wrench at the studio.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the basket.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never left Ora's side.
 Esme: I was nowhere near the saloon all evening.
 Finn: Wherever the basket was, I was not.
 Gus: Bo and I were together the whole time.
 Bo: The bloodied cloth was nowhere near me.
 Ora: If you find the basket, you find where I was.

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

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CASE 05

A traveller off the mainland boat was found dead at the saloon.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the wrench at the studio.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the wrench.
- The bloodied cloth was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the bloodied cloth at the workshop.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the kettle.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: The rolling pin was never in my hands.
Nils: The saloon? I did not set foot in it.
Lior: Whoever had the rolling pin was with me.
Kit: Ada and I were together the whole time.
Hana: I never left Ora's side.
Ada: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was with me.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON (SCENE) 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 garage was clean – no sign of the oil can.
- The bee smoker was found at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the knife at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: If you find the knife, you find where I was.
Ada: I was at the garage.
Nils: I was nowhere near the bakery all evening.
Mira: I never left Ora's side.
Bo: I was with Finn.
Ora: The glass plate was nowhere near me.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 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	Esme	alone at the bakery
Esme said: "Ask Lior – we were together." Lior was at the lighthouse, and Esme was at the bakery. They were not together.		

Case 02	Ora	alone at the apiary
Ora said: "Ask Hana – we were together." Hana was at the library, and Ora was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 03	Esme	alone at the tailor shop
Esme said: "Ask Kit – we were together." Kit was at the market, and Esme was at the tailor shop. They were not together.		

Case 04	Cira	alone at the saloon
Cira said: "I never left Ora's side." Ora was at the ferry dock, and Cira was at the saloon. They were not together.		

Case 05	Kit	alone at the saloon
Kit said: "Ada and I were together the whole time." Ada was at the apiary, and Kit was at the saloon. They were not together.		

Case 06	Bo	alone at the bakery
Bo said: "I was with Finn." Finn was at the tailor shop, and Bo was at the bakery. They were not together.		