

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The basket was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the basket at the surgery.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The crowbar was never at the surgery.
- Nothing puts the key blank at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I never went near the workshop.
Lior: Ask Ora – we were together.
Ada: Dev and I were together the whole time.
Cira: I never touched the lantern.
Ora: The crowbar was in my hands.
Dev: I could not tell you where the key blank was.

APIARY 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

The company man was found at the market, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The glass plate was never at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the glass plate at the clock tower.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The flower pail was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the wrench at the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never went near the market.
Hana: Lior and I were together the whole time.
Lior: Wherever the crowbar was, I was not.
Sol: Whoever had the crowbar was with me.
Mira: Ask Iris – we were together.
Iris: I was the one carrying the flower pail.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the ledger at the garage.
- They recovered the tankard from the clock tower.
- The bolt cutter was never at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: The wrench was never in my hands.
Mira: Wherever the bolt cutter was, I was not.
Iris: Whoever had the bolt cutter was with me.
Finn: Ask Bo – we were together.
Esme: Iris and I were together the whole time.
Ora: I never touched the tankard.

CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

They carried the man nobody in town knew out of the ferry dock at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the basket at the bakery.
- They recovered the glass plate from the apiary.
- The tankard was never at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: The tankard was nowhere near me.
Esme: You will find me at the bakery, and nowhere else.
Dev: Whoever had the tankard was with me.
Kit: I was with Dev.
Sol: Wherever the rope was, I was not.
Gus: Sol and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 05

The debt collector was found face down at the library.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the revolver at the cobblers.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the revolver.
- The bolt cutter was never at the cobblers.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the lighthouse.
- The cobblers was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: Ask Ada – we were together.
Kit: Wherever the bolt cutter was, I was not.
Ada: Whoever had the lantern was with me.
Cira: I was with Iris.
Lior: Wherever the lantern was, I was not.
Iris: Whoever had the bolt cutter was with me.

COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The workshop was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The ledger was never at the workshop.
- The crowbar turned up at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: Wherever the hammer was, I was not.
Sol: Whoever had the crowbar was not with me.
Lior: I never left Dev's side.
Nils: I could not tell you where the ledger was.
Iris: Ask Cira – we were together.
Dev: The ledger was in the room I was in.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 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 workshop	Lior said: "Ask Ora – we were together." Ora was at the post office, and Lior was at the workshop. They were not together.
Case 02	Mira	alone at the market	Mira said: "Ask Iris – we were together." Iris was at the saloon, and Mira was at the market. They were not together.
Case 03	Esme	alone at the tailor shop	Esme said: "Iris and I were together the whole time." Iris was at the lighthouse, and Esme was at the tailor shop. They were not together.
Case 04	Kit	alone at the ferry dock	Kit said: "I was with Dev." Dev was at the garage, and Kit was at the ferry dock. They were not together.
Case 05	Cira	alone at the library	Cira said: "I was with Iris." Iris was at the ferry dock, and Cira was at the library. They were not together.
Case 06	Lior	alone at the studio	Lior said: "I never left Dev's side." Dev was at the garage, and Lior was at the studio. They were not together.