

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 post office, and the keeper never woke.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the apiary.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the key blank.
- The poison bottle was found at the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I was with Ora.
Ora: I could not tell you where the ledger was.
Nils: I never went near the post office.
Sol: The poison bottle was never in my hands.
Dev: I was with Iris.
Iris: Whoever had the key blank was with me.

COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

A shot was heard at the apiary. The debt collector did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the knife from the workshop.
- The lantern was never at the market.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: I could not tell you where the lantern was.
Mira: Nils and I were together the whole time.
Lior: I was nowhere near the apiary all evening.
Ora: Wherever the oil can was, I was not.
Finn: Ask Ora – we were together.
Nils: The tankard was in my hands.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

They carried the insurance man out of the market at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The garage was clean – no sign of the glass plate.
- The rolling pin was found at the studio.
- Nothing puts the bloodied cloth at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: I was the one carrying the bloodied cloth.
Dev: I never left Esme's side.
Hana: I was with Ada.
Bo: The market? I did not set foot in it.
Esme: I never touched the hammer.
Sol: The glass plate was nowhere near me.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The tankard was never at the tailor shop.
- The wrench turned up at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: The lighthouse? I did not set foot in it.
Ada: I never touched the oil can.
Bo: Ask Hana – we were together.
Nils: Wherever the tankard was, I was not.
Jax: I never left Ada's side.
Hana: The tankard was in the room I was in.

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

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CASE 05

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

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 ledger.
- The ledger was never at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the hammer at the garage.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the hammer.
- The tankard was never at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: I was with Cira.
 Finn: Whoever had the lantern was with me.
 Jax: The ledger was never in my hands.
 Dev: I could not tell you where the lantern was.
 Esme: I was with Dev.
 Cira: The hammer was in my hands.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

A shot was heard at the workshop. A man nobody in town knew did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bakery was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The bolt cutter was never at the library.
- Nothing puts the knife at the bakery.
- The library was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The wrench was never at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I was the one carrying the glass plate.
 Iris: Whoever had the glass plate was not with me.
 Ora: I was nowhere near the workshop all evening.
 Ada: Ask Esme – we were together.
 Lior: Iris and I were together the whole time.
 Esme: The knife was in my hands.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 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	Dev	alone at the post office
Dev said: "I was with Iris." Iris was at the surgery, and Dev was at the post office. They were not together.		

Case 02	Mira	alone at the apiary
Mira said: "Nils and I were together the whole time." Nils was at the surgery, and Mira was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 03	Hana	alone at the market
Hana said: "I was with Ada." Ada was at the surgery, and Hana was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 04	Bo	alone at the lighthouse
Bo said: "Ask Hana – we were together." Hana was at the saloon, and Bo was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		

Case 05	Hana	alone at the bakery
Hana said: "I was with Cira." Cira was at the surgery, and Hana was at the bakery. They were not together.		

Case 06	Ada	alone at the workshop
Ada said: "Ask Esme – we were together." Esme was at the post office, and Ada was at the workshop. They were not together.		
