

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

The tax inspector 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)

- They recovered the poison bottle from the tailor shop.
- The key blank was never at the post office.
- Nothing puts the crowbar at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I never left Nils's side.
Cira: I never touched the poison bottle.
Kit: The rolling pin was never in my hands.
Jax: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Sol: I never went near the lighthouse.
Nils: The crowbar was in my hands.

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

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CASE 02

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)

- They recovered the bloodied cloth from the cobblers.
- The bolt cutter was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the ledger at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: Ada and I were together the whole time.
Sol: I never went near the bakery.
Ada: The poison bottle was nowhere near me.
Mira: Wherever the bolt cutter was, I was not.
Dev: Gus and I were together the whole time.
Gus: The ledger was in my hands.

COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

A stranger off the evening ferry was found dead at the studio.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bakery was clean – no sign of the basket.
- The kettle was never at the bakery.
- The hammer turned up at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: Ask Cira – we were together.
 Cira: I had the kettle.
 Ora: The kettle was nowhere near me.
 Esme: I could not tell you where the revolver was.
 Dev: I never touched the basket.
 Sol: Esme and I were together the whole time.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The tax inspector was found face down at the cobblers.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The post office was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The bolt cutter was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the post office.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the tankard.
- The wrench was never at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I could not tell you where the revolver was.
 Esme: Whoever had the tankard was not with me.
 Ora: The tankard was in my hands.
 Jax: Ask Sol – we were together.
 Ada: Jax and I were together the whole time.
 Sol: The revolver was in my hands.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

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)

- Nothing puts the wrench at the surgery.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the wrench.
- The tankard was never at the surgery.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the lighthouse.
- The surgery was clean – no sign of the glass plate.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I was nowhere near the market all evening.
Mira: If you find the lantern, you find where I was.
Sol: I had the tankard.
Kit: The lantern was never in my hands.
Bo: Ask Ora – we were together.
Ora: Mira and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 06

They carried the new foreman 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 ferry dock was clean – no sign of the bee smoker.
- The bee smoker was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the knife at the ferry dock.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The ledger was never at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: Iris and I were together the whole time.
Iris: I had the knife.
Mira: I was with Sol.
Hana: Wherever the knife was, I was not.
Sol: Whoever had the oil can was with me.
Lior: I was nowhere near the workshop all evening.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (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	Mira	alone at the lighthouse
Mira said: "I never left Nils's side." Nils was at the clock tower, and Mira was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		

Case 02	Dev	alone at the bakery
Dev said: "Gus and I were together the whole time." Gus was at the saloon, and Dev was at the bakery. They were not together.		

Case 03	Jax	alone at the studio
Jax said: "Ask Cira – we were together." Cira was at the ferry dock, and Jax was at the studio. They were not together.		

Case 04	Ada	alone at the cobblers
Ada said: "Jax and I were together the whole time." Jax was at the post office, and Ada was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 05	Bo	alone at the market
Bo said: "Ask Ora – we were together." Ora was at the surgery, and Bo was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 06	Kit	alone at the workshop
Kit said: "Iris and I were together the whole time." Iris was at the post office, and Kit was at the workshop. They were not together.		