

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

The tax inspector was found at the surgery, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The basket was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the basket at the lighthouse.
- The back office was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The crowbar was never at the lighthouse.
- Nothing puts the hammer at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I was with Dev.
 Gus: The crowbar was in my hands.
 Mira: Wherever the flower pail was, I was not.
 Iris: Whoever had the crowbar was not with me.
 Dev: The flower pail was in my hands.
 Sol: Ask Cira – we were together.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

The insurance man was found face down at the saloon.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The workshop was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The tankard was found at the post office.
- Nothing puts the rope at the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: Esme and I were together the whole time.
 Bo: Whoever had the rope was not with me.
 Gus: The revolver was never in my hands.
 Cira: Ask Gus – we were together.
 Jax: I never went near the saloon.
 Esme: The rope was in the room I was in.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

A stranger off the evening ferry was found face down at the back office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the poison bottle from the ferry dock.
- The revolver was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the basket at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I was the one carrying the basket.
 Jax: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was not with me.
 Iris: The revolver was nowhere near me.
 Dev: The back office? I did not set foot in it.
 Kit: I never left Jax's side.
 Esme: I was with Nils.

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

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CASE 04

A man nobody in town knew was found face down at the back office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

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

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I never touched the bee smoker.
 Hana: I never left Finn's side.
 Lior: If you find the bloodied cloth, you find where I was.
 Finn: I never touched the wrench.
 Mira: I was nowhere near the back office all evening.
 Dev: I never left Lior's side.

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

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CASE 05

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the glass plate.
- The glass plate was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the crowbar at the clock tower.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The ledger was never at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: I could not tell you where the glass plate was.
Gus: Whoever had the ledger was not with me.
Ada: The glass plate was nowhere near me.
Hana: Lior and I were together the whole time.
Mira: I never left Gus's side.
Lior: The crowbar was in my hands.

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

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CASE 06

The new foreman 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 brass key was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the tailor shop.
- They recovered the rope from the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: Whoever had the bolt cutter was with me.
Cira: I was nowhere near the bakery all evening.
Mira: Wherever the rope was, I was not.
Esme: Dev and I were together the whole time.
Sol: I never left Jax's side.
Dev: I could not tell you where the knife was.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 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	Sol	alone at the surgery	Sol said: "Ask Cira – we were together." Cira was at the back office, and Sol was at the surgery. They were not together.
Case 02	Mira	alone at the saloon	Mira said: "Esme and I were together the whole time." Esme was at the library, and Mira was at the saloon. They were not together.
Case 03	Esme	alone at the back office	Esme said: "I was with Nils." Nils was at the apiary, and Esme was at the back office. They were not together.
Case 04	Dev	alone at the back office	Dev said: "I never left Lior's side." Lior was at the ferry dock, and Dev was at the back office. They were not together.
Case 05	Hana	alone at the cobblers	Hana said: "Lior and I were together the whole time." Lior was at the post office, and Hana was at the cobblers. They were not together.
Case 06	Sol	alone at the bakery	Sol said: "I never left Jax's side." Jax was at the ferry dock, and Sol was at the bakery. They were not together.