

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

The night clerk was found dead at the surgery.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The oil can was never at the post office.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the post office.
- They recovered the poison bottle from the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: Whoever had the bolt cutter was not with me.
Finn: I was with Ora.
Ora: I was the one carrying the rolling pin.
Mira: I never touched the poison bottle.
Nils: I never left Cira's side.
Esme: Wherever the rolling pin was, I was not.

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

CASE 02

The insurance man was found at the back office, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the key blank.
- The key blank was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the ferry dock.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the oil can.
- The crowbar was never at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: The back office? I did not set foot in it.
Bo: Whoever had the tankard was with me.
Esme: The oil can was in the room I was in.
Kit: Bo and I were together the whole time.
Lior: Whoever had the tankard was not with me.
Ada: I was with Esme.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the bolt cutter from the studio.
- The rope was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: If you find the bee smoker, you find where I was.
Cira: Ask Sol – we were together.
Gus: The bee smoker was nowhere near me.
Bo: I never left Nils's side.
Sol: I never touched the brass key.
Dev: The bee smoker was nowhere near me.

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

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the workshop. A stranger off the evening ferry did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the crowbar at the bakery.
- The cobblers was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The glass plate was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the glass plate at the cobblers.
- The bakery was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I never left Ada's side.
Ada: I was the one carrying the glass plate.
Gus: Ask Esme – we were together.
Esme: The bolt cutter was in the room I was in.
Jax: Wherever the glass plate was, I was not.
Kit: I never touched the glass plate.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the apiary. The company man did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the hammer at the ferry dock.
- The saloon was clean – no sign of the hammer.
- The rope was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the rope at the saloon.
- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the key blank.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: Bo and I were together the whole time.
Bo: If you find the rope, you find where I was.
Hana: I was with Iris.
Sol: I was nowhere near the apiary all evening.
Iris: I could not tell you where the key blank was.
Jax: I never touched the hammer.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

They carried the new foreman 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)

- The cobblers was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The rope was never at the lighthouse.
- Nothing puts the poison bottle at the cobblers.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.
- The bee smoker was never at the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: The ferry dock? I did not set foot in it.
Gus: I had the oil can.
Cira: I was with Gus.
Sol: If you find the poison bottle, you find where I was.
Jax: Cira and I were together the whole time.
Ora: I was nowhere near the ferry dock all evening.

COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (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	Finn	alone at the surgery
Finn said: "I was with Ora." Ora was at the back office, and Finn was at the surgery. They were not together.		

Case 02	Ada	alone at the back office
Ada said: "I was with Esme." Esme was at the cobblers, and Ada was at the back office. They were not together.		

Case 03	Bo	alone at the market
Bo said: "I never left Nils's side." Nils was at the surgery, and Bo was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 04	Nils	alone at the workshop
Nils said: "I never left Ada's side." Ada was at the market, and Nils was at the workshop. They were not together.		

Case 05	Lior	alone at the apiary
Lior said: "Bo and I were together the whole time." Bo was at the library, and Lior was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 06	Jax	alone at the ferry dock
Jax said: "Cira and I were together the whole time." Cira was at the cobblers, and Jax was at the ferry dock. They were not together.		