

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 market, and the keeper never woke.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the glass plate at the ferry dock.
- They recovered the poison bottle from the studio.
- The kettle was never at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I spent the whole evening at the ferry dock.
Jax: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Kit: I had the kettle.
Finn: I was with Esme.
Lior: I could not tell you where the kettle was.
Esme: Whoever had the crowbar was not with me.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

The debt collector was found at the garage, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The saloon was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The hammer was found at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: The garage? I did not set foot in it.
Sol: I never left Gus's side.
Finn: The hammer was nowhere near me.
Lior: I could not tell you where the key blank was.
Bo: Lior and I were together the whole time.
Gus: The rolling pin was in my hands.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

They carried the stranger off the evening ferry out of the apiary at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The post office was clean – no sign of the lantern.
- The lantern was never at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the knife at the post office.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The bolt cutter was never at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: If you find the knife, you find where I was.
Finn: I was with Nils.
Ora: Ask Mira – we were together.
Bo: I could not tell you where the knife was.
Mira: Whoever had the bolt cutter was not with me.
Hana: The hammer was nowhere near me.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The kettle was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the ferry dock.
- The bakery was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The wrench was never at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Wherever the bolt cutter was, I was not.
Bo: I never went near the apiary.
Mira: The bolt cutter was in my hands.
Esme: Ask Iris – we were together.
Lior: Esme and I were together the whole time.
Iris: The oil can was in the room I was in.

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

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CASE 05

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the hammer at the garage.
- The market was clean – no sign of the hammer.
- The key blank was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the key blank at the market.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: The bloodied cloth was nowhere near me.
Ora: I was the one carrying the bloodied cloth.
Lior: Nils and I were together the whole time.
Ada: I never left Dev's side.
Cira: The ferry dock? I did not set foot in it.
Nils: I had the key blank.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The back office was clean – no sign of the revolver.
- The revolver was never at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the rope at the back office.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The bee smoker was never at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: I never left Mira's side.
Ora: Whoever had the rope was not with me.
Sol: Ask Jax – we were together.
Nils: I could not tell you where the bee smoker was.
Mira: I never touched the brass key.
Jax: The rope was in my hands.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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Answer Key – Red-Handed Expert

Solve before peeking. The liar is the one who was alone at the scene.

Case 01	Jax	alone at the market	Jax said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the saloon, and Jax was at the market. They were not together.
Case 02	Sol	alone at the garage	Sol said: "I never left Gus's side." Gus was at the workshop, and Sol was at the garage. They were not together.
Case 03	Finn	alone at the apiary	Finn said: "I was with Nils." Nils was at the studio, and Finn was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 04	Lior	alone at the apiary	Lior said: "Esme and I were together the whole time." Esme was at the ferry dock, and Lior was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 05	Lior	alone at the ferry dock	Lior said: "Nils and I were together the whole time." Nils was at the studio, and Lior was at the ferry dock. They were not together.
Case 06	Sol	alone at the apiary	Sol said: "Ask Jax – we were together." Jax was at the surgery, and Sol was at the apiary. They were not together.