

Red-Handed Expert

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

CASE 01

The debt collector 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 apiary was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.
- The poison bottle was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the key blank at the apiary.
- The bakery was clean – no sign of the key blank.
- The bee smoker was never at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: Sol and I were together the whole time.
 Sol: I had the kettle.
 Bo: The key blank was never in my hands.
 Dev: The back office? I did not set foot in it.
 Jax: I had the key blank.
 Esme: I never left Ada's side.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter was found at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the surgery.
- The surgery was clean – no sign of the rope.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: I never left Gus's side.
 Kit: I was nowhere near the back office all evening.
 Hana: The back office? I did not set foot in it.
 Ora: Whoever had the wrench was not with me.
 Gus: The rope was in the room I was in.
 Mira: I was with Ora.

SURGERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

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)

- Nothing puts the brass key at the apiary.
- The back office was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The bee smoker was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the back office.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: The bee smoker was in my hands.
Esme: I could not tell you where the tankard was.
Kit: Mira and I were together the whole time.
Ada: The tankard was in the room I was in.
Bo: I could not tell you where the bee smoker was.
Ora: Ask Esme – we were together.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The debt collector was found dead at the saloon.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the glass plate at the apiary.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the glass plate.
- The key blank was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the key blank at the workshop.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the flower pail.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I never left Gus's side.
Iris: If you find the key blank, you find where I was.
Esme: Whoever had the key blank was not with me.
Dev: Iris and I were together the whole time.
Gus: If you find the oil can, you find where I was.
Sol: I never went near the saloon.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

The insurance man was found dead at the workshop.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the ledger at the back office.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the ledger.
- The basket was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the basket at the apiary.
- The back office was clean – no sign of the wrench.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I never left Mira's side.
 Finn: I was the one carrying the basket.
 Iris: I never touched the basket.
 Kit: Finn and I were together the whole time.
 Mira: Wherever the poison bottle was, I was not.
 Hana: Whoever had the ledger was not with me.

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

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bloodied cloth turned up at the lighthouse.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the glass plate.
- The poison bottle was never at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: I spent the whole evening at the garage.
 Esme: I could not tell you where the flower pail was.
 Kit: Whoever had the poison bottle was with me.
 Hana: I was with Esme.
 Lior: Ask Kit – we were together.
 Gus: I never went near the bakery.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 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	Esme	alone at the back office
Esme said: "I never left Ada's side." Ada was at the apiary, and Esme was at the back office. They were not together.		

Case 02	Bo	alone at the back office
Bo said: "I never left Gus's side." Gus was at the cobblers, and Bo was at the back office. They were not together.		

Case 03	Kit	alone at the lighthouse
Kit said: "Mira and I were together the whole time." Mira was at the cobblers, and Kit was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		

Case 04	Dev	alone at the saloon
Dev said: "Iris and I were together the whole time." Iris was at the garage, and Dev was at the saloon. They were not together.		

Case 05	Kit	alone at the workshop
Kit said: "Finn and I were together the whole time." Finn was at the market, and Kit was at the workshop. They were not together.		

Case 06	Lior	alone at the bakery
Lior said: "Ask Kit – we were together." Kit was at the tailor shop, and Lior was at the bakery. They were not together.		
