

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 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 poison bottle was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the poison bottle at the ferry dock.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the lantern.
- The lantern was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the crowbar at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I had the lantern.
Dev: The crowbar was never in my hands.
Nils: Wherever the poison bottle was, I was not.
Lior: I never went near the cobblers.
Gus: Ask Dev – we were together.
Sol: Iris and I were together the whole time.

STUDIO 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

The night clerk 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 knife.
- The knife was never at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the apiary.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The bloodied cloth was never at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: Sol and I were together the whole time.
Sol: Whoever had the kettle was with me.
Hana: The bolt cutter was in the room I was in.
Dev: Ask Hana – we were together.
Nils: I never touched the kettle.
Lior: The bolt cutter was nowhere near me.

APIARY 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	_____	_____	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

The debt collector was found dead at the garage.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the kettle at the studio.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The bolt cutter was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the clock tower.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the flower pail.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: The ledger was in my hands.
Bo: I could not tell you where the bolt cutter was.
Hana: I was with Finn.
Ora: I was nowhere near the garage all evening.
Mira: I was the one carrying the bolt cutter.
Kit: I never left Hana's side.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The debt collector was found dead at the garage.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The rope was never at the lighthouse.
- Nothing puts the rope at the tailor shop.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The knife was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I never went near the garage.
Esme: Ask Sol – we were together.
Bo: Esme and I were together the whole time.
Kit: I never touched the basket.
Sol: The basket was in my hands.
Gus: I was the one carrying the knife.

LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A man nobody in town knew was found at the apiary, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The rope turned up at the ferry dock.
- The library was clean – no sign of the hammer.
- The lantern was never at the library.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: I was with Cira.
Jax: Ask Gus – we were together.
Cira: I had the lantern.
Iris: The rope was never in my hands.
Gus: I could not tell you where the flower pail was.
Sol: I never went near the apiary.

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

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CASE 06

A traveller off the mainland boat 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 flower pail was never at the library.
- The bloodied cloth turned up at the bakery.
- The library was clean – no sign of the tankard.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Whoever had the tankard was with me.
Mira: I was with Jax.
Ada: The saloon? I did not set foot in it.
Nils: Ora and I were together the whole time.
Jax: The rope was never in my hands.
Cira: Wherever the tankard was, I was not.

LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON (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	Sol	alone at the cobblers
Sol said: "Iris and I were together the whole time." Iris was at the apiary, and Sol was at the cobblers. They were not together.		
Case 02	Dev	alone at the back office
Dev said: "Ask Hana – we were together." Hana was at the bakery, and Dev was at the back office. They were not together.		
Case 03	Kit	alone at the garage
Kit said: "I never left Hana's side." Hana was at the studio, and Kit was at the garage. They were not together.		
Case 04	Bo	alone at the garage
Bo said: "Esme and I were together the whole time." Esme was at the lighthouse, and Bo was at the garage. They were not together.		
Case 05	Bo	alone at the apiary
Bo said: "I was with Cira." Cira was at the surgery, and Bo was at the apiary. They were not together.		
Case 06	Nils	alone at the saloon
Nils said: "Ora and I were together the whole time." Ora was at the post office, and Nils was at the saloon. They were not together.		