

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The mine agent was found dead at the tailor shop.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The wrench was never at the apiary.
- The bloodied cloth turned up at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: Whoever had the bolt cutter was with me.
 Bo: The wrench was in the room I was in.
 Ada: I never left Dev's side.
 Sol: I never touched the bloodied cloth.
 Kit: Ask Ada – we were together.
 Jax: The tailor shop? I did not set foot in it.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

A shot was heard at the bakery. The tax inspector did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the brass key from the workshop.
- The bloodied cloth was never at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I could not tell you where the brass key was.
 Nils: I never left Kit's side.
 Bo: The bloodied cloth was in the room I was in.
 Dev: You will find me at the workshop, and nowhere else.
 Kit: I had the revolver.
 Hana: I never left Nils's side.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

The mine agent was found at the lighthouse, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The rope turned up at the cobblers.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the ledger.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: The kettle was never in my hands.
Mira: I was with Ada.
Hana: I never touched the ledger.
Jax: The kettle was in my hands.
Gus: I never left Finn's side.
Finn: Whoever had the ledger was with me.

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

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CASE 04

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 oil can at the market.
- The library was clean – no sign of the oil can.
- The flower pail was never at the library.
- Nothing puts the rope at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: I was with Bo.
Dev: The lighthouse? I did not set foot in it.
Nils: Ada and I were together the whole time.
Esme: The flower pail was in the room I was in.
Bo: You will find me at the market, and nowhere else.
Ora: Whoever had the flower pail was not with me.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

The tax inspector 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 revolver.
- The revolver was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the rope at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: Ada and I were together the whole time.
Bo: Whoever had the revolver was with me.
Dev: The rope was in my hands.
Mira: I could not tell you where the revolver was.
Ada: Whoever had the ledger was with me.
Nils: I never left Bo's side.

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

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CASE 06

A man nobody in town knew 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 brass key turned up at the studio.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the knife.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: The lantern was in my hands.
Gus: I could not tell you where the knife was.
Jax: I never left Cira's side.
Ora: The lantern was never in my hands.
Ada: You will find me at the lighthouse, and nowhere else.
Cira: Ada and I were together the whole time.

LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

NOTES

Answer Key — Red-Handed Hard

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

Case 01	Kit	alone at the tailor shop
	Kit said: "Ask Ada — we were together." Ada was at the apiary, and Kit was at the tailor shop. They were not together.	

Case 02	Hana	alone at the bakery
	Hana said: "I never left Nils's side." Nils was at the tailor shop, and Hana was at the bakery. They were not together.	

Case 03	Gus	alone at the lighthouse
	Gus said: "I never left Finn's side." Finn was at the bakery, and Gus was at the lighthouse. They were not together.	

Case 04	Nils	alone at the lighthouse
	Nils said: "Ada and I were together the whole time." Ada was at the market, and Nils was at the lighthouse. They were not together.	

Case 05	Nils	alone at the back office
	Nils said: "I never left Bo's side." Bo was at the cobblers, and Nils was at the back office. They were not together.	

Case 06	Jax	alone at the garage
	Jax said: "I never left Cira's side." Cira was at the lighthouse, and Jax was at the garage. They were not together.	
