

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The new foreman 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)

- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the lighthouse.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the tankard.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: I never left Ora's side.
 Jax: You will find me at the tailor shop, and nowhere else.
 Ora: I had the crowbar.
 Mira: I was nowhere near the back office all evening.
 Sol: I never left Jax's side.
 Cira: I had the bee smoker.

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

NOTES

CASE 02

A stranger off the evening ferry 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 workshop was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The knife was never at the saloon.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: I was the one carrying the rolling pin.
 Finn: I never went near the garage.
 Jax: Esme and I were together the whole time.
 Esme: You will find me at the workshop, and nowhere else.
 Bo: I was with Jax.
 Iris: The poison bottle was never in my hands.

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

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CASE 03

The mine agent was found face down at the library.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter turned up at the library.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the lantern.
- The lantern was never at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I spent the whole evening at the tailor shop.
Jax: Ask Dev – we were together.
Ora: I never touched the glass plate.
Dev: I never left Esme's side.
Gus: The library? I did not set foot in it.
Cira: I had the glass plate.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

They carried the mine agent out of the clock tower at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The brass key was never at the saloon.
- Nothing puts the brass key at the library.
- The saloon was clean – no sign of the flower pail.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I had the bloodied cloth.
Finn: I was with Lior.
Iris: You will find me at the library, and nowhere else.
Lior: Cira and I were together the whole time.
Cira: I spent the whole evening at the saloon.
Esme: If you find the bloodied cloth, you find where I was.

SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

The company man was found dead at the market.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the garage.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.
- The oil can was never at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I was with Hana.
Hana: Ask Gus – we were together.
Bo: I was at the clock tower.
Mira: The bolt cutter was nowhere near me.
Esme: If you find the oil can, you find where I was.
Gus: I was at the garage.

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

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CASE 06

A man nobody in town knew 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)

- Nothing puts the rope at the library.
- They recovered the bee smoker from the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: I was with Mira.
Mira: Ask Cira – we were together.
Ada: I had the rope.
Esme: The crowbar was never in my hands.
Jax: Wherever the bee smoker was, I was not.
Cira: I had the crowbar.

LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (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	Sol	alone at the back office	Sol said: "I never left Jax's side." Jax was at the tailor shop, and Sol was at the back office. They were not together.
Case 02	Bo	alone at the garage	Bo said: "I was with Jax." Jax was at the workshop, and Bo was at the garage. They were not together.
Case 03	Jax	alone at the library	Jax said: "Ask Dev – we were together." Dev was at the tailor shop, and Jax was at the library. They were not together.
Case 04	Finn	alone at the clock tower	Finn said: "I was with Lior." Lior was at the saloon, and Finn was at the clock tower. They were not together.
Case 05	Nils	alone at the market	Nils said: "I was with Hana." Hana was at the garage, and Nils was at the market. They were not together.
Case 06	Finn	alone at the tailor shop	Finn said: "I was with Mira." Mira was at the library, and Finn was at the tailor shop. They were not together.