

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The ledger was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the knife at the clock tower.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the wrench.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I never left Finn's side.
 Jax: I was with Iris.
 Finn: You will find me at the back office, and nowhere else.
 Sol: I had the wrench.
 Mira: The ledger was never in my hands.
 Bo: The studio? I did not set foot in it.

CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

They carried the man nobody in town knew out of the saloon at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The crowbar was never at the ferry dock.
- The lantern turned up at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I had the key blank.
 Hana: I never left Esme's side.
 Finn: I was the one carrying the crowbar.
 Ada: I never went near the saloon.
 Esme: Mira and I were together the whole time.
 Iris: I could not tell you where the lantern was.

FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

A traveller off the mainland boat was found at the tailor shop, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The workshop was clean – no sign of the bloodied cloth.
- The bloodied cloth was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the brass key at the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: I was the one carrying the glass plate.
 Nils: I was with Jax.
 Bo: I spent the whole evening at the cobblers.
 Sol: The tailor shop? I did not set foot in it.
 Jax: I was at the workshop.
 Iris: I was with Nils.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The crowbar was found at the clock tower.
- The bloodied cloth turned up at the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: I had the rolling pin.
 Lior: I spent the whole evening at the back office.
 Iris: The clock tower? I did not set foot in it.
 Cira: I was with Lior.
 Nils: Ask Dev – we were together.
 Dev: Wherever the rolling pin was, I was not.

COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A man nobody in town knew 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)

- Nothing puts the knife at the saloon.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the tankard.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: The knife was in the room I was in.
 Esme: I was the one carrying the brass key.
 Bo: Ask Dev – we were together.
 Iris: I was nowhere near the library all evening.
 Dev: You will find me at the garage, and nowhere else.
 Sol: I was with Esme.

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

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CASE 06

A shot was heard at the clock tower. A traveller off the mainland boat did not get up.

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 post office.
- Nothing puts the brass key at the tailor shop.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the revolver.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: Whoever had the revolver was with me.
 Dev: I spent the whole evening at the tailor shop.
 Cira: Wherever the lantern was, I was not.
 Sol: I never left Mira's side.
 Mira: I was with Esme.
 Esme: You will find me at the post office, and nowhere else.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 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	Jax	alone at the studio	Jax said: "I was with Iris." Iris was at the back office, and Jax was at the studio. They were not together.
Case 02	Hana	alone at the saloon	Hana said: "I never left Esme's side." Esme was at the ferry dock, and Hana was at the saloon. They were not together.
Case 03	Iris	alone at the tailor shop	Iris said: "I was with Nils." Nils was at the workshop, and Iris was at the tailor shop. They were not together.
Case 04	Cira	alone at the clock tower	Cira said: "I was with Lior." Lior was at the back office, and Cira was at the clock tower. They were not together.
Case 05	Bo	alone at the library	Bo said: "Ask Dev — we were together." Dev was at the garage, and Bo was at the library. They were not together.
Case 06	Sol	alone at the clock tower	Sol said: "I never left Mira's side." Mira was at the post office, and Sol was at the clock tower. They were not together.