

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The insurance man was found face down at the market.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter turned up at the bakery.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the ledger.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I spent the whole evening at the bakery.
 Dev: Ask Mira – we were together.
 Gus: Ora and I were together the whole time.
 Bo: The ledger was in the room I was in.
 Sol: I could not tell you where the bolt cutter was.
 Mira: Whoever had the rope was with me.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

They carried the insurance man out of the cobblers at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the ledger at the garage.
- They recovered the rolling pin from the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: The ledger was never in my hands.
 Mira: I never left Ora's side.
 Kit: Whoever had the wrench was with me.
 Ora: Ask Kit – we were together.
 Hana: Wherever the rolling pin was, I was not.
 Esme: Whoever had the ledger was with me.

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

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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter was never at the market.
- Nothing puts the key blank at the bakery.
- The market was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Dev and I were together the whole time.
 Iris: The bolt cutter was nowhere near me.
 Gus: You will find me at the market, and nowhere else.
 Bo: Whoever had the key blank was not with me.
 Dev: Gus and I were together the whole time.
 Nils: I was the one carrying the key blank.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The company man was found face down at the cobblers.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bakery was clean – no sign of the hammer.
- The tankard was found at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I was with Dev.
 Mira: I never touched the poison bottle.
 Gus: The poison bottle was in my hands.
 Dev: I was the one carrying the hammer.
 Finn: I never went near the cobblers.
 Sol: Ask Mira – we were together.

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

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CASE 05

The new foreman 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 flower pail was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the poison bottle at the garage.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the revolver.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I was at the garage.
 Dev: Ask Kit – we were together.
 Gus: You will find me at the apiary, and nowhere else.
 Ada: I never touched the flower pail.
 Kit: I was with Gus.
 Sol: If you find the poison bottle, you find where I was.

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

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CASE 06

The insurance man 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 basket at the surgery.
- They recovered the bee smoker from the ferry dock.
- The hammer was never at the surgery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I spent the whole evening at the ferry dock.
 Dev: If you find the basket, you find where I was.
 Kit: I was with Sol.
 Cira: Ask Nils – we were together.
 Iris: I could not tell you where the bee smoker was.
 Sol: Whoever had the basket was not with me.

SURGERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (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	Gus	alone at the market
Gus said: "Ora and I were together the whole time." Ora was at the bakery, and Gus was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 02	Mira	alone at the cobblers
Mira said: "I never left Ora's side." Ora was at the garage, and Mira was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 03	Ora	alone at the apiary
Ora said: "Dev and I were together the whole time." Dev was at the market, and Ora was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 04	Iris	alone at the cobblers
Iris said: "I was with Dev." Dev was at the tailor shop, and Iris was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 05	Dev	alone at the studio
Dev said: "Ask Kit – we were together." Kit was at the apiary, and Dev was at the studio. They were not together.		

Case 06	Cira	alone at the library
Cira said: "Ask Nils – we were together." Nils was at the ferry dock, and Cira was at the library. They were not together.		