

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The insurance man was found dead at the apiary.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bakery was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The knife was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the rope at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I was with Finn.
Cira: I never touched the bloodied cloth.
Finn: I spent the whole evening at the garage.
Iris: You will find me at the bakery, and nowhere else.
Ora: I was with Nils.
Sol: The rope was in the room I was in.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the flower pail at the post office.
- They recovered the glass plate from the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: The ledger was in the room I was in.
Gus: I could not tell you where the ledger was.
Bo: I was with Gus.
Ada: The flower pail was never in my hands.
Ora: Hana and I were together the whole time.
Hana: I was at the back office.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

They carried the debt collector out of the apiary at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The library was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The flower pail was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the kettle at the library.
- The back office was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The wrench was never at the library.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: Ask Sol – we were together.
 Ora: Whoever had the wrench was not with me.
 Cira: I never left Ora's side.
 Jax: I could not tell you where the kettle was.
 Sol: Whoever had the kettle was with me.
 Nils: The flower pail was nowhere near me.

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

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CASE 04

The new foreman was found dead at the lighthouse.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the oil can.
- The oil can was never at the surgery.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the clock tower.
- The surgery was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The bloodied cloth was never at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: I was the one carrying the bolt cutter.
 Lior: I was with Hana.
 Jax: The oil can was nowhere near me.
 Bo: Mira and I were together the whole time.
 Mira: I never touched the bloodied cloth.
 Sol: The oil can was nowhere near me.

CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the apiary. The new foreman did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the lighthouse.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.
- The poison bottle was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: I never left Bo's side.
 Bo: I was the one carrying the poison bottle.
 Lior: Whoever had the oil can was with me.
 Finn: The poison bottle was nowhere near me.
 Dev: I could not tell you where the oil can was.
 Mira: I was with Dev.

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

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the ledger at the tailor shop.
- They recovered the kettle from the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I was nowhere near the ferry dock all evening.
 Lior: If you find the ledger, you find where I was.
 Mira: Whoever had the kettle was not with me.
 Nils: I never left Hana's side.
 Hana: I was with Dev.
 Dev: I had the glass plate.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (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	Ora	alone at the apiary
Ora said: "I was with Nils." Nils was at the garage, and Ora was at the apiary. They were not together.		
Case 02	Ora	alone at the post office
Ora said: "Hana and I were together the whole time." Hana was at the back office, and Ora was at the post office. They were not together.		
Case 03	Gus	alone at the apiary
Gus said: "Ask Sol — we were together." Sol was at the ferry dock, and Gus was at the apiary. They were not together.		
Case 04	Lior	alone at the lighthouse
Lior said: "I was with Hana." Hana was at the tailor shop, and Lior was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		
Case 05	Jax	alone at the apiary
Jax said: "I never left Bo's side." Bo was at the cobblers, and Jax was at the apiary. They were not together.		
Case 06	Nils	alone at the ferry dock
Nils said: "I never left Hana's side." Hana was at the tailor shop, and Nils was at the ferry dock. They were not together.		