

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The flower pail was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the flower pail at the library.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the knife.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: I was at the post office.
Hana: I spent the whole evening at the studio.
Sol: I was the one carrying the poison bottle.
Finn: I never went near the library.
Iris: I was with Hana.
Ora: Ask Gus – we were together.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

The insurance man was found at the apiary, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the crowbar at the studio.
- The post office was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The lantern was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the lantern at the post office.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the ledger.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: Ask Ada – we were together.
Lior: Sol and I were together the whole time.
Dev: I never went near the apiary.
Sol: The ledger was never in my hands.
Ada: If you find the crowbar, you find where I was.
Bo: I never went near the apiary.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

The mine agent was found face down at the workshop.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The garage was clean – no sign of the ledger.
- The rolling pin was found at the cobblers.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: I could not tell you where the ledger was.
Cira: Whoever had the brass key was not with me.
Iris: The brass key was in my hands.
Gus: Ask Mira – we were together.
Nils: Cira and I were together the whole time.
Mira: The ledger was in my hands.

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

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bee smoker was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the bloodied cloth at the garage.
- The market was clean – no sign of the bloodied cloth.
- The hammer was never at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I had the hammer.
Dev: The hammer was nowhere near me.
Mira: Dev and I were together the whole time.
Ada: I never touched the bloodied cloth.
Hana: I was with Finn.
Finn: I was the one carrying the bloodied cloth.

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

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CASE 05

The new foreman was found dead at the ferry dock.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the brass key at the post office.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The brass key was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the kettle at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: I spent the whole evening at the post office.
 Kit: Ask Mira – we were together.
 Dev: I had the rope.
 Iris: I was nowhere near the ferry dock all evening.
 Nils: I could not tell you where the rope was.
 Mira: Ask Hana – we were together.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

The tax inspector was found dead at the post office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the crowbar from the post office.
- The tankard was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: I was with Ada.
 Ora: I was at the studio.
 Nils: The brass key was never in my hands.
 Sol: The post office? I did not set foot in it.
 Hana: I had the brass key.
 Ada: Ask Ora – we were together.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 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 library
Ora said: "Ask Gus – we were together." Gus was at the post office, and Ora was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 02	Hana	alone at the apiary
Hana said: "Ask Ada – we were together." Ada was at the ferry dock, and Hana was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 03	Gus	alone at the workshop
Gus said: "Ask Mira – we were together." Mira was at the bakery, and Gus was at the workshop. They were not together.		

Case 04	Hana	alone at the bakery
Hana said: "I was with Finn." Finn was at the tailor shop, and Hana was at the bakery. They were not together.		

Case 05	Kit	alone at the ferry dock
Kit said: "Ask Mira – we were together." Mira was at the post office, and Kit was at the ferry dock. They were not together.		

Case 06	Gus	alone at the post office
Gus said: "I was with Ada." Ada was at the studio, and Gus was at the post office. They were not together.		