

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

A stranger off the evening ferry was found at the garage, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The basket was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the basket at the garage.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the ledger.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Ask Dev – we were together.
Iris: I spent the whole evening at the bakery.
Esme: I never left Iris's side.
Gus: Whoever had the bolt cutter was with me.
Cira: The ledger was never in my hands.
Dev: You will find me at the tailor shop, and nowhere else.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the apiary.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.
- The key blank was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never left Lior's side.
Nils: The workshop? I did not set foot in it.
Dev: I never touched the key blank.
Lior: The rolling pin was in my hands.
Ora: I was the one carrying the key blank.
Mira: I was with Dev.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

A traveller off the mainland boat was found face down 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)

- The post office was clean — no sign of the basket.
- The basket was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the poison bottle at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: Ask Cira — we were together.
Mira: I was at the post office.
Jax: The bloodied cloth was never in my hands.
Ada: I was the one carrying the poison bottle.
Lior: I never touched the poison bottle.
Cira: Mira and I were together the whole time.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the clock tower. A stranger off the evening ferry 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)

- They recovered the bolt cutter from the clock tower.
- The kettle was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the kettle at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Jax: I was with Bo.
Bo: I was at the ferry dock.
Gus: Jax and I were together the whole time.
Ada: The clock tower? I did not set foot in it.
Kit: Whoever had the rope was not with me.
Mira: The rope was in the room I was in.

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

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CASE 05

The night clerk 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)

- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the saloon.
- The bakery was clean – no sign of the oil can.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: The oil can was in the room I was in.
 Sol: Wherever the knife was, I was not.
 Ada: I never left Nils's side.
 Jax: The bolt cutter was never in my hands.
 Esme: Ask Ada – we were together.
 Nils: I was at the saloon.

SALOON 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE _____
BAKERY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE _____
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE _____
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE _____

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CASE 06

A shot was heard at the post office. The company man did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The surgery was clean – no sign of the lantern.
- The lantern was never at the post office.
- Nothing puts the knife at the surgery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: If you find the oil can, you find where I was.
 Iris: I had the oil can.
 Esme: I never left Ada's side.
 Bo: You will find me at the surgery, and nowhere else.
 Hana: Ask Bo – we were together.
 Ada: I spent the whole evening at the back office.

SURGERY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE _____
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE _____
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE _____
BACK OFFICE 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	Esme	alone at the garage
Esme said: "I never left Iris's side." Iris was at the bakery, and Esme was at the garage. They were not together.		

Case 02	Cira	alone at the workshop
Cira said: "I never left Lior's side." Lior was at the back office, and Cira was at the workshop. They were not together.		

Case 03	Nils	alone at the tailor shop
Nils said: "Ask Cira – we were together." Cira was at the post office, and Nils was at the tailor shop. They were not together.		

Case 04	Gus	alone at the clock tower
Gus said: "Jax and I were together the whole time." Jax was at the ferry dock, and Gus was at the clock tower. They were not together.		

Case 05	Esme	alone at the market
Esme said: "Ask Ada – we were together." Ada was at the saloon, and Esme was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 06	Esme	alone at the post office
Esme said: "I never left Ada's side." Ada was at the back office, and Esme was at the post office. They were not together.		