

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

They carried the tax inspector out of the market at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the lighthouse.
- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.
- The poison bottle was never at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: The poison bottle was in my hands.
 Kit: I never left Ora's side.
 Ada: Whoever had the rolling pin was with me.
 Finn: Ask Ada – we were together.
 Iris: Wherever the rolling pin was, I was not.
 Ora: Whoever had the bee smoker was with me.

LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

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 bolt cutter turned up at the library.
- The ferry dock was clean – no sign of the flower pail.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: The bolt cutter was nowhere near me.
 Ada: I was the one carrying the flower pail.
 Hana: Dev and I were together the whole time.
 Esme: The crowbar was in my hands.
 Dev: You will find me at the back office, and nowhere else.
 Sol: Ask Esme – we were together.

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

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CASE 03

They carried the mine agent out of the market at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the wrench.
- The wrench was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the clock tower.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The ledger was never at the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never left Ada's side.
 Ada: I had the wrench.
 Sol: Ask Bo – we were together.
 Dev: I could not tell you where the bolt cutter was.
 Kit: I never went near the market.
 Bo: The ledger was never in my hands.

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

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CASE 04

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 saloon was clean – no sign of the basket.
- The flower pail was found at the library.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I was the one carrying the kettle.
 Kit: I never left Cira's side.
 Ora: I was with Mira.
 Hana: I could not tell you where the flower pail was.
 Mira: I was at the cobblers.
 Jax: The basket was in my hands.

SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the tailor shop. The company man did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

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

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: I was at the workshop.
 Sol: The rope was in my hands.
 Nils: I was the one carrying the rope.
 Mira: I never left Lior's side.
 Lior: I spent the whole evening at the library.
 Finn: Ask Kit – we were together.

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

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The rolling pin was found at the garage.
- Nothing puts the glass plate at the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I had the crowbar.
 Ada: Dev and I were together the whole time.
 Dev: I was the one carrying the glass plate.
 Finn: I never touched the crowbar.
 Jax: Ask Finn – we were together.
 Iris: Wherever the glass plate was, I was not.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (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	Finn	alone at the market
Finn said: "Ask Ada — we were together." Ada was at the garage, and Finn was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 02	Hana	alone at the library
Hana said: "Dev and I were together the whole time." Dev was at the back office, and Hana was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 03	Cira	alone at the market
Cira said: "I never left Ada's side." Ada was at the bakery, and Cira was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 04	Ora	alone at the library
Ora said: "I was with Mira." Mira was at the cobblers, and Ora was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 05	Mira	alone at the tailor shop
Mira said: "I never left Lior's side." Lior was at the library, and Mira was at the tailor shop. They were not together.		

Case 06	Ada	alone at the surgery
Ada said: "Dev and I were together the whole time." Dev was at the back office, and Ada was at the surgery. They were not together.		
