

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The debt collector was found dead at the workshop.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The flower pail was never at the garage.
- The ledger turned up at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I had the basket.
 Iris: Ask Finn – we were together.
 Finn: I was the one carrying the flower pail.
 Jax: I never went near the workshop.
 Nils: I was with Gus.
 Gus: Wherever the basket was, I was not.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

NOTES

CASE 02

A shot was heard at the cobblers. The night clerk did not get up.

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 tailor shop.
- They recovered the knife from the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never left Jax's side.
 Kit: The cobblers? I did not set foot in it.
 Jax: Whoever had the bolt cutter was not with me.
 Ora: The bolt cutter was in the room I was in.
 Mira: I never left Sol's side.
 Sol: Whoever had the ledger was with me.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

A shot was heard at the post office. A stranger off the evening ferry 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)

- Nothing puts the key blank at the studio.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the key blank.
- The bee smoker was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the rope at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: I was nowhere near the post office all evening.
 Lior: You will find me at the studio, and nowhere else.
 Iris: Ask Gus – we were together.
 Mira: The rope was in the room I was in.
 Gus: You will find me at the tailor shop, and nowhere else.
 Dev: I was with Iris.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The tax inspector was found face down at the surgery.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the ledger at the clock tower.
- The post office was clean – no sign of the ledger.
- The kettle was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the kettle at the post office.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the rope.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I was with Sol.
 Finn: The surgery? I did not set foot in it.
 Sol: I had the kettle.
 Nils: The rope was never in my hands.
 Bo: Wherever the ledger was, I was not.
 Iris: Ask Nils – we were together.

CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the apiary. The debt collector did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the lantern from the ferry dock.
- The ledger was never at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I could not tell you where the ledger was.
Jax: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was with me.
Ora: Iris and I were together the whole time.
Iris: I was the one carrying the ledger.
Gus: I was with Nils.
Nils: The bloodied cloth was nowhere near me.

MARKET 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE

NOTES

CASE 06

The night clerk 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 apiary was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The kettle was never at the surgery.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the apiary.
- The surgery was clean – no sign of the tankard.
- The ledger was never at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I was the one carrying the tankard.
Ora: I never went near the garage.
Esme: The ledger was nowhere near me.
Bo: Ask Esme – we were together.
Ada: I never touched the tankard.
Lior: I never left Cira's side.

APIARY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
GARAGE (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 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	Iris	alone at the workshop
Iris said: "Ask Finn — we were together." Finn was at the apiary, and Iris was at the workshop. They were not together.		

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

Case 03	Dev	alone at the post office
Dev said: "I was with Iris." Iris was at the tailor shop, and Dev was at the post office. They were not together.		

Case 04	Lior	alone at the surgery
Lior said: "I was with Sol." Sol was at the cobblers, and Lior was at the surgery. They were not together.		

Case 05	Ora	alone at the apiary
Ora said: "Iris and I were together the whole time." Iris was at the surgery, and Ora was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 06	Lior	alone at the garage
Lior said: "I never left Cira's side." Cira was at the bakery, and Lior was at the garage. They were not together.		
