

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The wrench was never at the post office.
- Nothing puts the revolver at the post office.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the revolver.
- The kettle was never at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never left Ada's side.
 Nils: The kettle was nowhere near me.
 Dev: The bakery? I did not set foot in it.
 Finn: I had the kettle.
 Ada: The revolver was in the room I was in.
 Jax: I was with Nils.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the lantern at the cobblers.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The wrench was never at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I spent the whole evening at the cobblers.
 Jax: Ask Iris – we were together.
 Iris: Lior and I were together the whole time.
 Gus: I was nowhere near the workshop all evening.
 Mira: I was the one carrying the wrench.
 Bo: Whoever had the lantern was not with me.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

They carried the insurance man 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 kettle at the back office.
- The post office was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The brass key was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: The brass key was in my hands.
Gus: You will find me at the back office, and nowhere else.
Kit: I never left Cira's side.
Cira: I was with Ada.
Esme: I could not tell you where the brass key was.
Ada: I was at the post office.

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

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CASE 04

A traveller off the mainland boat was found face down at the back office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The glass plate turned up at the garage.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the crowbar.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: I was nowhere near the back office all evening.
Mira: I was the one carrying the key blank.
Iris: Bo and I were together the whole time.
Bo: The key blank was never in my hands.
Gus: I was the one carrying the crowbar.
Nils: Ask Gus – we were together.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the surgery. A traveller off the mainland boat did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the brass key at the market.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The knife was never at the market.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: The brass key was in my hands.
Hana: Bo and I were together the whole time.
Bo: Whoever had the oil can was not with me.
Kit: The brass key was never in my hands.
Esme: If you find the oil can, you find where I was.
Finn: Ada and I were together the whole time.

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

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CASE 06

A shot was heard at the apiary. A man nobody in town knew did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The market was clean – no sign of the basket.
- The basket was never at the apiary.
- Nothing puts the bolt cutter at the market.
- The market was clean – no sign of the rope.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: The apiary? I did not set foot in it.
Ora: I never left Hana's side.
Mira: I was with Sol.
Sol: I could not tell you where the bolt cutter was.
Kit: I had the bolt cutter.
Hana: I spent the whole evening at the bakery.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (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	Cira	alone at the bakery	Cira said: "I never left Ada's side." Ada was at the ferry dock, and Cira was at the bakery. They were not together.
Case 02	Jax	alone at the workshop	Jax said: "Ask Iris – we were together." Iris was at the cobblers, and Jax was at the workshop. They were not together.
Case 03	Kit	alone at the workshop	Kit said: "I never left Cira's side." Cira was at the post office, and Kit was at the workshop. They were not together.
Case 04	Nils	alone at the back office	Nils said: "Ask Gus – we were together." Gus was at the lighthouse, and Nils was at the back office. They were not together.
Case 05	Finn	alone at the surgery	Finn said: "Ada and I were together the whole time." Ada was at the garage, and Finn was at the surgery. They were not together.
Case 06	Ora	alone at the apiary	Ora said: "I never left Hana's side." Hana was at the bakery, and Ora was at the apiary. They were not together.