

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The tax inspector 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)

- The market was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The wrench was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ada: I was the one carrying the wrench.
 Lior: I never touched the brass key.
 Cira: Iris and I were together the whole time.
 Hana: The apiary? I did not set foot in it.
 Iris: I was with Mira.
 Mira: I spent the whole evening at the market.

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

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CASE 02

The night clerk 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)

- They recovered the glass plate from the apiary.
- The hammer was never at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I was the one carrying the crowbar.
 Nils: Kit and I were together the whole time.
 Kit: I spent the whole evening at the back office.
 Iris: I could not tell you where the crowbar was.
 Mira: Ask Iris – we were together.
 Finn: The hammer was never in my hands.

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

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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The crowbar turned up at the post office.
- The market was clean – no sign of the kettle.
- The kettle was never at the surgery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: The crowbar was nowhere near me.
Hana: I could not tell you where the glass plate was.
Ada: I was at the market.
Cira: Ask Ada – we were together.
Esme: If you find the glass plate, you find where I was.
Ora: I never left Cira's side.

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

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CASE 04

The company man was found face down at the cobblers.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The rolling pin turned up at the workshop.
- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the kettle.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: I was with Mira.
Kit: I could not tell you where the kettle was.
Gus: Finn and I were together the whole time.
Jax: The flower pail was in the room I was in.
Lior: Wherever the flower pail was, I was not.
Mira: I was at the lighthouse.

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

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the tailor shop. The new foreman 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 garage was clean – no sign of the ledger.
- The ledger was never at the saloon.
- Nothing puts the brass key at the garage.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the knife.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I never left Ada's side.
 Ada: I never touched the brass key.
 Gus: The ledger was never in my hands.
 Lior: If you find the brass key, you find where I was.
 Iris: I never left Ora's side.
 Ora: The ledger was in my hands.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

They carried the company man out of the apiary at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The bolt cutter turned up at the clock tower.
- The post office was clean – no sign of the key blank.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: The bee smoker was never in my hands.
 Lior: I never left Sol's side.
 Kit: I was with Lior.
 Jax: The bee smoker was in the room I was in.
 Cira: Wherever the key blank was, I was not.
 Sol: I was at the post office.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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Answer Key — Red-Handed Hard

Solve before peeking. The liar is the one who was alone at the scene.

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| Case 01 | Cira | alone at the apiary |
| Cira said: "Iris and I were together the whole time." Iris was at the market, and Cira was at the apiary. They were not together. | | |
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| Case 02 | Nils | alone at the surgery |
| Nils said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the back office, and Nils was at the surgery. They were not together. | | |
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| Case 03 | Ora | alone at the post office |
| Ora said: "I never left Cira's side." Cira was at the market, and Ora was at the post office. They were not together. | | |
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| Case 04 | Gus | alone at the cobblers |
| Gus said: "Finn and I were together the whole time." Finn was at the lighthouse, and Gus was at the cobblers. They were not together. | | |
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| Case 05 | Iris | alone at the tailor shop |
| Iris said: "I never left Ora's side." Ora was at the apiary, and Iris was at the tailor shop. They were not together. | | |
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| Case 06 | Kit | alone at the apiary |
| Kit said: "I was with Lior." Lior was at the post office, and Kit was at the apiary. They were not together. | | |
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