

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The company man was found dead at the clock tower.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The studio was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The flower pail was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the rope at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: Jax and I were together the whole time.
Jax: I was at the studio.
Nils: The rope was never in my hands.
Ora: Ask Kit – we were together.
Finn: I was at the garage.
Dev: The brass key was in the room I was in.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

The strongbox was emptied at the tailor shop, and the keeper never woke.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the crowbar at the post office.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The bolt cutter was never at the post office.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I was nowhere near the tailor shop all evening.
Cira: I was with Dev.
Lior: I had the bolt cutter.
Dev: I spent the whole evening at the apiary.
Esme: I never left Cira's side.
Nils: I never went near the tailor shop.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

The strongbox was emptied at the ferry dock, and the keeper never woke.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The garage was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The bolt cutter was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the lantern at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: I was the one carrying the lantern.
 Nils: I never went near the ferry dock.
 Lior: The bolt cutter was in the room I was in.
 Jax: If you find the rolling pin, you find where I was.
 Ora: I was with Lior.
 Mira: Ask Jax – we were together.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

They carried the night clerk out of the lighthouse at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The workshop was clean – no sign of the brass key.
- The brass key was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the poison bottle at the workshop.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the basket.

WHAT THEY SAID

Dev: If you find the brass key, you find where I was.
 Ada: I never touched the brass key.
 Cira: Dev and I were together the whole time.
 Kit: I could not tell you where the basket was.
 Ora: I was with Kit.
 Hana: The basket was in the room I was in.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The basket was found at the library.
- Nothing puts the glass plate at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I never went near the studio.
 Bo: The knife was nowhere near me.
 Sol: Hana and I were together the whole time.
 Finn: I never left Sol's side.
 Hana: I spent the whole evening at the ferry dock.
 Iris: I was the one carrying the knife.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The basket was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the bloodied cloth at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: Gus and I were together the whole time.
 Esme: The glass plate was never in my hands.
 Hana: I could not tell you where the basket was.
 Sol: I was at the tailor shop.
 Mira: The bloodied cloth was in the room I was in.
 Gus: I never left Sol's side.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (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.

Case 01	Ora	alone at the clock tower	Ora said: "Ask Kit — we were together." Kit was at the studio, and Ora was at the clock tower. They were not together.
Case 02	Esme	alone at the tailor shop	Esme said: "I never left Cira's side." Cira was at the apiary, and Esme was at the tailor shop. They were not together.
Case 03	Ora	alone at the ferry dock	Ora said: "I was with Lior." Lior was at the library, and Ora was at the ferry dock. They were not together.
Case 04	Cira	alone at the lighthouse	Cira said: "Dev and I were together the whole time." Dev was at the apiary, and Cira was at the lighthouse. They were not together.
Case 05	Finn	alone at the studio	Finn said: "I never left Sol's side." Sol was at the ferry dock, and Finn was at the studio. They were not together.
Case 06	Nils	alone at the surgery	Nils said: "Gus and I were together the whole time." Gus was at the tailor shop, and Nils was at the surgery. They were not together.