

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The insurance man was found dead at the post office.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

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

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: I was with Sol.
 Sol: I had the knife.
 Iris: The flower pail was in the room I was in.
 Finn: I never left Iris's side.
 Dev: Whoever had the crowbar was with me.
 Bo: The flower pail was nowhere near me.

SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

The mine agent was found at the back office, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The apiary was clean – no sign of the wrench.
- The wrench was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Nils and I were together the whole time.
 Cira: I never left Dev's side.
 Dev: The wrench was in the room I was in.
 Sol: The back office? I did not set foot in it.
 Mira: Whoever had the oil can was with me.
 Nils: The key blank was in my hands.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

The strongbox was emptied at the clock tower, and the keeper never woke.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The ledger was never at the apiary.
- The bolt cutter turned up at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Bo: The wrench was nowhere near me.
Ora: I was with Bo.
Kit: I had the ledger.
Hana: The wrench was in the room I was in.
Finn: The clock tower? I did not set foot in it.

APIARY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the studio. The tax inspector 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 knife was never at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the knife at the lighthouse.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The poison bottle was never at the workshop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: I never touched the rope.
Jax: Esme and I were together the whole time.
Kit: If you find the rope, you find where I was.
Esme: I had the knife.
Gus: I was nowhere near the studio all evening.
Ada: Cira and I were together the whole time.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	_____	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE
STUDIO (SCENE) 1 chair	_____	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

They carried the mine agent 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 clock tower was clean – no sign of the basket.
- The poison bottle was found at the surgery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: I was the one carrying the basket.
Esme: I was with Ora.
Ada: The basket was never in my hands.
Ora: Wherever the bee smoker was, I was not.
Dev: I had the bee smoker.
Jax: I was with Bo.

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

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the knife at the tailor shop.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the knife.
- The flower pail was never at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I spent the whole evening at the tailor shop.
Finn: Ora and I were together the whole time.
Mira: I never left Finn's side.
Ada: The glass plate was in the room I was in.
Lior: You will find me at the clock tower, and nowhere else.
Kit: I had the glass plate.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (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 post office
Finn said: "I never left Iris's side." Iris was at the workshop, and Finn was at the post office. They were not together.		

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

Case 03	Lior	alone at the clock tower
Lior said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the library, and Lior was at the clock tower. They were not together.		

Case 04	Jax	alone at the studio
Jax said: "Esme and I were together the whole time." Esme was at the cobblers, and Jax was at the studio. They were not together.		

Case 05	Jax	alone at the apiary
Jax said: "I was with Bo." Bo was at the back office, and Jax was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 06	Mira	alone at the lighthouse
Mira said: "I never left Finn's side." Finn was at the tailor shop, and Mira was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		