

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

The carried the insurance man out of the library at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The studio was clean – no sign of the bolt cutter.
- The bolt cutter was never at the library.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: I was the one carrying the knife.
Mira: I had the knife.
Cira: I spent the whole evening at the apiary.
Gus: You will find me at the studio, and nowhere else.
Kit: I was with Gus.
Iris: Ask Kit – we were together.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

The insurance man was found face down at the library.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the poison bottle at the garage.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the bee smoker.
- The bee smoker was never at the ferry dock.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: The tankard was never in my hands.
Nils: Ask Ora – we were together.
Finn: I had the bee smoker.
Bo: I never left Finn's side.
Lior: If you find the tankard, you find where I was.
Jax: I never went near the library.

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

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CASE 03

A shot was heard at the tailor shop. A man nobody in town knew 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 poison bottle was never at the post office.
- Nothing puts the flower pail at the post office.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The wrench was never at the post office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: I never left Iris's side.
Lior: The wrench was in the room I was in.
Bo: The tailor shop? I did not set foot in it.
Mira: Whoever had the wrench was not with me.
Nils: I never left Mira's side.
Iris: I was the one carrying the flower pail.

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

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CASE 04

They carried the mine agent out of the saloon at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the rope at the bakery.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The flower pail was never at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Gus: I never left Cira's side.
Finn: Wherever the poison bottle was, I was not.
Kit: Whoever had the flower pail was not with me.
Esme: Gus and I were together the whole time.
Cira: You will find me at the workshop, and nowhere else.
Sol: Whoever had the flower pail was with me.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

They carried the man nobody in town knew out of the cobblers at first light.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The saloon was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.
- The rolling pin was never at the library.
- Nothing puts the crowbar at the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: I was the one carrying the brass key.
Dev: Whoever had the crowbar was not with me.
Ada: I spent the whole evening at the library.
Ora: You will find me at the saloon, and nowhere else.
Esme: I never left Ora's side.
Kit: I was with Esme.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

The tax inspector was found dead at the tailor shop.

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 bee smoker was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the bee smoker at the clock tower.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: Wherever the bee smoker was, I was not.
Mira: Whoever had the rolling pin was not with me.
Cira: Ask Kit – we were together.
Kit: I was the one carrying the bee smoker.
Dev: Whoever had the rolling pin was with me.
Nils: I was with Mira.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 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 library
Iris said: "Ask Kit — we were together." Kit was at the studio, and Iris was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 02	Bo	alone at the library
Bo said: "I never left Finn's side." Finn was at the studio, and Bo was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 03	Hana	alone at the tailor shop
Hana said: "I never left Iris's side." Iris was at the market, and Hana was at the tailor shop. They were not together.		

Case 04	Esme	alone at the saloon
Esme said: "Gus and I were together the whole time." Gus was at the workshop, and Esme was at the saloon. They were not together.		

Case 05	Kit	alone at the cobblers
Kit said: "I was with Esme." Esme was at the saloon, and Kit was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 06	Cira	alone at the tailor shop
Cira said: "Ask Kit — we were together." Kit was at the ferry dock, and Cira was at the tailor shop. They were not together.		
