

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 back office. The night clerk did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The workshop was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The crowbar was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the hammer at the workshop.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the rope.

WHAT THEY SAID

Nils: If you find the rope, you find where I was.
Dev: I never touched the rope.
Cira: I spent the whole evening at the studio.
Esme: I never left Dev's side.
Iris: I never went near the back office.
Finn: Ask Cira – we were together.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 02

A shot was heard at the apiary. The night clerk 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 back office was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The crowbar was never at the garage.
- Nothing puts the rope at the back office.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The bee smoker was never at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: Wherever the crowbar was, I was not.
Sol: Ask Lior – we were together.
Bo: Iris and I were together the whole time.
Dev: The apiary? I did not set foot in it.
Lior: I had the crowbar.
Iris: The bee smoker was never in my hands.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 1 chair	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
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CASE 03

They carried the debt collector 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 oil can was found at the saloon.
- Nothing puts the rolling pin at the garage.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: Ask Hana – we were together.
Hana: I spent the whole evening at the garage.
Mira: I was the one carrying the bloodied cloth.
Jax: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was not with me.
Ada: Ask Kit – we were together.
Esme: The lighthouse? I did not set foot in it.

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

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CASE 04

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the ledger at the back office.
- The garage was clean – no sign of the ledger.
- The knife was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the knife at the garage.
- The back office was clean – no sign of the brass key.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: The brass key was never in my hands.
Ora: I never left Gus's side.
Gus: Whoever had the knife was with me.
Esme: The brass key was nowhere near me.
Lior: Mira and I were together the whole time.
Mira: I never touched the ledger.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
SALOON 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

A traveller off the mainland boat was found dead at the lighthouse.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the crowbar at the garage.
- They recovered the oil can from the clock tower.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: The basket was never in my hands.
Hana: If you find the crowbar, you find where I was.
Sol: I was with Kit.
Cira: The basket was in the room I was in.
Gus: Hana and I were together the whole time.
Iris: I never went near the lighthouse.

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

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CASE 06

A shot was heard at the cobblers. The mine agent did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the bloodied cloth at the apiary.
- The saloon was clean – no sign of the bloodied cloth.
- The rope was never at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: The rope was in my hands.
Jax: If you find the glass plate, you find where I was.
Ada: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was with me.
Hana: The bloodied cloth was never in my hands.
Bo: Ada and I were together the whole time.
Esme: I never left Jax's side.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (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 back office	Finn said: "Ask Cira – we were together." Cira was at the studio, and Finn was at the back office. They were not together.
Case 02	Sol	alone at the apiary	Sol said: "Ask Lior – we were together." Lior was at the clock tower, and Sol was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 03	Ada	alone at the lighthouse	Ada said: "Ask Kit – we were together." Kit was at the garage, and Ada was at the lighthouse. They were not together.
Case 04	Ora	alone at the library	Ora said: "I never left Gus's side." Gus was at the saloon, and Ora was at the library. They were not together.
Case 05	Gus	alone at the lighthouse	Gus said: "Hana and I were together the whole time." Hana was at the surgery, and Gus was at the lighthouse. They were not together.
Case 06	Bo	alone at the cobblers	Bo said: "Ada and I were together the whole time." Ada was at the bakery, and Bo was at the cobblers. They were not together.