

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The poison bottle turned up at the ferry dock.
- The post office was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.

WHAT THEY SAID

Finn: The poison bottle was nowhere near me.
Cira: I was the one carrying the rope.
Ora: I never left Cira's side.
Ada: The rope was nowhere near me.
Hana: I was the one carrying the rolling pin.
Jax: Ora and I were together the whole time.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

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

WHAT THEY SAID

Hana: I was at the ferry dock.
Bo: I spent the whole evening at the garage.
Sol: I was the one carrying the flower pail.
Esme: I never went near the market.
Gus: Ask Bo – we were together.
Iris: Hana and I were together the whole time.

GARAGE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK 1 chair	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The studio was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The crowbar was never at the workshop.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the studio.
- The studio was clean – no sign of the ledger.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I was the one carrying the crowbar.
 Bo: I never went near the ferry dock.
 Mira: The ledger was never in my hands.
 Sol: I was with Mira.
 Hana: Ask Esme – we were together.
 Finn: The ledger was in my hands.

STUDIO 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

The insurance man was found face down 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 bloodied cloth was never at the surgery.
- Nothing puts the bloodied cloth at the apiary.
- The surgery was clean – no sign of the ledger.

WHAT THEY SAID

Bo: I never left Ora's side.
 Ada: I spent the whole evening at the apiary.
 Mira: I could not tell you where the ledger was.
 Dev: I had the kettle.
 Sol: I never left Bo's side.
 Ora: You will find me at the surgery, and nowhere else.

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

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CASE 05

A shot was heard at the apiary. The tax inspector 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 bakery was clean – no sign of the flower pail.
- The tankard was never at the tailor shop.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: Kit and I were together the whole time.
Finn: I never touched the poison bottle.
Kit: I was with Ada.
Ada: You will find me at the bakery, and nowhere else.
Nils: Whoever had the flower pail was not with me.
Mira: The tankard was in my hands.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
STUDIO 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 06

They carried the debt collector 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 lantern was never at the tailor shop.
- Nothing puts the lantern at the apiary.
- The tailor shop was clean – no sign of the flower pail.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I had the flower pail.
Lior: The lantern was in my hands.
Ada: I never left Lior's side.
Bo: I never touched the lantern.
Mira: Ask Dev – we were together.
Dev: If you find the key blank, you find where I was.

TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (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	Jax	alone at the bakery
Jax said: "Ora and I were together the whole time." Ora was at the post office, and Jax was at the bakery. They were not together.		

Case 02	Iris	alone at the market
Iris said: "Hana and I were together the whole time." Hana was at the ferry dock, and Iris was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 03	Hana	alone at the ferry dock
Hana said: "Ask Esme – we were together." Esme was at the tailor shop, and Hana was at the ferry dock. They were not together.		

Case 04	Sol	alone at the post office
Sol said: "I never left Bo's side." Bo was at the surgery, and Sol was at the post office. They were not together.		

Case 05	Esme	alone at the apiary
Esme said: "Kit and I were together the whole time." Kit was at the bakery, and Esme was at the apiary. They were not together.		

Case 06	Ada	alone at the library
Ada said: "I never left Lior's side." Lior was at the surgery, and Ada was at the library. They were not together.		
