

Red-Handed Hard

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

CASE 01

A man nobody in town knew was found at the market, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The poison bottle turned up at the market.
- The workshop was clean – no sign of the key blank.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: The brass key was in my hands.
 Bo: I never left Ora's side.
 Jax: I was with Sol.
 Ada: The poison bottle was never in my hands.
 Cira: If you find the key blank, you find where I was.
 Sol: I was at the back office.

WORKSHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
MARKET (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BACK OFFICE 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

The debt collector was found at the tailor shop, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The lighthouse was clean – no sign of the poison bottle.
- The crowbar was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the bloodied cloth at the back office.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I could not tell you where the poison bottle was.
 Nils: I never left Ada's side.
 Ora: I spent the whole evening at the lighthouse.
 Ada: Ask Ora – we were together.
 Iris: Whoever had the bloodied cloth was with me.
 Bo: The bloodied cloth was never in my hands.

BACK OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
BAKERY 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

The tax inspector was found at the library, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the crowbar.
- The crowbar was never at the back office.
- Nothing puts the crowbar at the library.
- The clock tower was clean – no sign of the tankard.

WHAT THEY SAID

Kit: If you find the tankard, you find where I was.
Ada: Hana and I were together the whole time.
Jax: The bee smoker was nowhere near me.
Ora: I was with Ada.
Finn: Whoever had the tankard was not with me.
Hana: The bee smoker was in my hands.

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

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the cobblers. The tax inspector did not get up.

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 basket.
- The basket was never at the clock tower.
- Nothing puts the ledger at the clock tower.
- The saloon was clean – no sign of the bee smoker.

WHAT THEY SAID

Sol: If you find the ledger, you find where I was.
Hana: Dev and I were together the whole time.
Bo: I was nowhere near the cobblers all evening.
Ada: I was with Hana.
Dev: I was at the saloon.
Ora: I spent the whole evening at the clock tower.

SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
CLOCK TOWER 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
WORKSHOP 1 chair	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- Nothing puts the rope at the studio.
- The apiary was clean – no sign of the rope.
- The knife was never at the studio.
- Nothing puts the tankard at the studio.

WHAT THEY SAID

Lior: I never left Dev's side.
Hana: I was with Gus.
Gus: Whoever had the knife was not with me.
Finn: The knife was in my hands.
Dev: If you find the rope, you find where I was.
Bo: I never went near the library.

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

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CASE 06

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The oil can was never at the bakery.
- Nothing puts the oil can at the tailor shop.
- The bakery was clean – no sign of the rolling pin.
- The tankard was never at the bakery.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: I had the oil can.
Finn: I never left Ora's side.
Dev: If you find the tankard, you find where I was.
Ora: I never touched the tankard.
Bo: The rolling pin was never in my hands.
Hana: I never left Iris's side.

BAKERY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE
POST OFFICE 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 market
Jax said: "I was with Sol." Sol was at the back office, and Jax was at the market. They were not together.		

Case 02	Nils	alone at the tailor shop
Nils said: "I never left Ada's side." Ada was at the lighthouse, and Nils was at the tailor shop. They were not together.		

Case 03	Ora	alone at the library
Ora said: "I was with Ada." Ada was at the clock tower, and Ora was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 04	Ada	alone at the cobblers
Ada said: "I was with Hana." Hana was at the saloon, and Ada was at the cobblers. They were not together.		

Case 05	Lior	alone at the library
Lior said: "I never left Dev's side." Dev was at the clock tower, and Lior was at the library. They were not together.		

Case 06	Hana	alone at the lighthouse
Hana said: "I never left Iris's side." Iris was at the post office, and Hana was at the lighthouse. They were not together.		
