

Red-Handed Medium

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

CASE 01

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

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The post office was clean – no sign of the hammer.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: The apiary? I did not set foot in it.
Jax: I had the hammer.
Ora: The wrench was never in my hands.
Esme: Ask Jax – we were together.
Gus: Esme and I were together the whole time.

POST OFFICE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 02

The company man was found dead at the surgery.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The brass key was found at the apiary.

WHAT THEY SAID

Mira: I never left Finn's side.
Kit: The ledger was never in my hands.
Esme: Wherever the basket was, I was not.
Finn: Esme and I were together the whole time.
Iris: The basket was in my hands.

APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
SURGERY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 03

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 revolver was never at the market.

WHAT THEY SAID

Esme: I was at the tailor shop.
Hana: I spent the whole evening at the market.
Cira: Hana and I were together the whole time.
Nils: Whoever had the lantern was with me.
Jax: I was with Cira.

MARKET 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
TAILOR SHOP 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIBRARY (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 04

A shot was heard at the cobblers. A stranger off the evening ferry did not get up.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- They recovered the key blank from the saloon.

WHAT THEY SAID

Iris: Wherever the tankard was, I was not.
Cira: I never touched the oil can.
Finn: The oil can was in the room I was in.
Ora: I never left Dev's side.
Dev: I was with Cira.

SALOON 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
COBBLERS (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

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CASE 05

The new foreman was found at the lighthouse, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The crowbar turned up at the ferry dock.

WHAT THEY SAID

Cira: The crowbar was in the room I was in.
Dev: I could not tell you where the wrench was.
Esme: I never left Cira's side.
Sol: I was nowhere near the lighthouse all evening.
Hana: Ask Esme – we were together.

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

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CASE 06

The new foreman was found at the ferry dock, and not breathing.

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

FOUND AT THE SCENE (always true)

- The hammer was never at the lighthouse.
- Nothing puts the rope at the lighthouse.

WHAT THEY SAID

Ora: I was at the lighthouse.
Hana: I was with Ora.
Nils: Ask Hana – we were together.
Finn: Whoever had the hammer was not with me.
Kit: I spent the whole evening at the apiary.

LIGHTHOUSE 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
APIARY 2 chairs	EVIDENCE
FERRY DOCK (SCENE) 1 chair	EVIDENCE

NOTES

Answer Key – Red-Handed Medium

Solve before peeking. The liar is the one who was alone at the scene.

Case 01	Gus	alone at the apiary	Gus said: "Esme and I were together the whole time." Esme was at the saloon, and Gus was at the apiary. They were not together.
Case 02	Mira	alone at the surgery	Mira said: "I never left Finn's side." Finn was at the apiary, and Mira was at the surgery. They were not together.
Case 03	Jax	alone at the library	Jax said: "I was with Cira." Cira was at the market, and Jax was at the library. They were not together.
Case 04	Ora	alone at the cobblers	Ora said: "I never left Dev's side." Dev was at the saloon, and Ora was at the cobblers. They were not together.
Case 05	Hana	alone at the lighthouse	Hana said: "Ask Esme – we were together." Esme was at the ferry dock, and Hana was at the lighthouse. They were not together.
Case 06	Nils	alone at the ferry dock	Nils said: "Ask Hana – we were together." Hana was at the lighthouse, and Nils was at the ferry dock. They were not together.