Who Took Baldric's Seed Pouch?

MONDAY · 17 CLUES · 7 GUESTS

Auntie Pearl had 7 Seekers at the table when Baldric's seed pouch went missing from the field cart. One of them took it, and that one will lie; the rest are honest. Three ledgers tonight (who caught which fish, who polished which stone, and who grew which crop), and the clues braid across them all. Square the grids. Find the liar.

🎯 Find the liar. Solve every grid.

	🐟 Fish caught							💠 Stone polished							🥕 Crop grown						
	Carp	Pike	Trout	Roach	Smelt	Gudgeon	Loach	Opal	Topaz	Garnet	Jasper	Quartz	Flint	Slate	Yam	Pea	Leek	Corn	Turnip	Squash	Gourd
🧠 Ada																					
🌾 Baldric																					
🔭 Dan																					
⚔️ Elanna																					
🔨 Isaac																					
⚗️ Kattia																					
🪙 Minty																					

🥕 Crop grown							
Yam							
Pea							
Leek							
Corn							
Turnip							
Squash							
Gourd							

💠 Stone polished							
Opal							
Topaz							
Garnet							
Jasper							
Quartz							
Flint							
Slate							

Mark each cell: ✗ ruled out · ● confirmed.

The clues

※ *Names with an L: Opal, Flint, Slate*

📋 **AUNTIE PEARL'S LEDGER: THESE FACTS ARE ALWAYS TRUE**

1. Kattia, Dan, and Ada grew the corn, the leek, and the turnip, in some order.

2. The Seeker who caught the roach grew the turnip.

3. The Seeker who caught the smelt grew the squash.

4. The Seeker who caught the gudgeon grew the pea.

5. Minty, Dan, and Ada caught the pike, the carp, and the gudgeon, in some order.

6. Dan, Minty, Isaac, and Kattia grew the pea, the squash, the leek, and the turnip, in some order.

7. The culprit didn't polish the flint, the slate, or the jasper.

8. The Seeker who polished the topaz grew the gourd.

🗣️ WHAT THE SEEKERS SAID

9. 🔨 *Isaac says, wiping soot from both hands:* "The Seeker who polished the opal caught the carp."

10. ⚗️ *Kattia says:* "Isaac didn't polish the garnet."

11. ⚗️ *Kattia adds:* "Elanna didn't polish the jasper."

12. ⚔️ *Elanna says:* "Ada, Kattia, and Minty polished the quartz, the flint, and the opal, in some order."

13. ⚔️ *Elanna adds:* "Dan polished a stone with an L in its name." (Opal, Flint or Slate)

14. 🔭 *Dan says:* "Baldric didn't polish the jasper."

15. 🪙 *Minty says, palms up, all honesty:* "The Seeker who grew the squash polished the garnet."

16. 🌾 *Baldric mutters "By the stone," then says, leaning on the hoe:* "Elanna caught the trout."

17. 🧠 *Ada says:* "Minty polished a stone with an L in its name." (Opal, Flint or Slate)

Answer: Who Took Baldric's Seed Pouch?

🕯️ The liar (culprit): ⚗️ Kattia

A lie, clue 10: Isaac didn't polish the garnet. (false).

A lie, clue 11: Elanna didn't polish the jasper. (false).

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🧠 Ada	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗
🌾 Baldric	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●
🔭 Dan	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗
⚔️ Elanna	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
🔨 Isaac	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗
⚗️ Kattia	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗
🪙 Minty	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
🥕 Crop grown																					
Yam	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗							
Pea	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗							
Leek	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●							
Corn	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗							
Turnip	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗							
Squash	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗							
Gourd	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗							
💠 Stone polished																					
Opal	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗														
Topaz	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●														
Garnet	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗														
Jasper	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗														
Quartz	✗	✗	✗	●	✗	✗	✗														
Flint	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	●	✗														
Slate	✗	●	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗														

Step-by-step proof

1. From clue 1: only Kattia, Dan, and Ada can have the corn, the leek, and the turnip. Rule those out for everyone else.
2. From clue 2: Baldric didn't catch the roach, Elanna didn't catch the roach, Isaac didn't catch the roach, and Minty didn't catch the roach.
3. From clue 3: Ada didn't catch the smelt, Dan didn't catch the smelt, and Kattia didn't catch the smelt.
4. From clue 4: Ada didn't catch the gudgeon, Dan didn't catch the gudgeon, and Kattia didn't catch the gudgeon.
5. From clue 5: only Minty, Dan, and Ada can have the pike, the carp, and the gudgeon. Rule those out for everyone else.
6. From clue 2: Ada didn't grow the turnip and Dan didn't grow the turnip.
7. From clue 3: Minty didn't grow the squash.

8. From clue 4: Baldric didn’t grow the pea, Elanna didn’t grow the pea, and Isaac didn’t grow the pea.
9. From clue 6: Ada grew the corn, Dan grew the leek, Isaac grew the squash, and Minty grew the pea.
10. Also: Baldric didn’t grow the squash, Elanna didn’t grow the squash, and Kattia didn’t grow the corn.
11. From clue 3: Baldric didn’t catch the smelt, Elanna didn’t catch the smelt, and Isaac caught the smelt.
12. From clue 4: Minty caught the gudgeon.
13. From clue 8: Ada didn’t polish the topaz, Dan didn’t polish the topaz, Isaac didn’t polish the topaz, and Kattia didn’t polish the topaz.
14. Also: Minty didn’t polish the topaz.
15. Only one possibility remains: Kattia caught the roach and Kattia grew the turnip.
16. Kattia can’t be telling the truth: if Kattia’s every word were true, clue 17 would be broken. Only the culprit lies, so Kattia is the culprit. To see why, suppose it were so. Then: … (1) From clue 7: Minty didn’t polish the jasper. (2) From clue 9: Kattia didn’t polish the opal and Minty didn’t polish the opal. (3) From clue 12: Minty polished the quartz. That is where it breaks, so none of this is true of the real answer.
17. From clue 7: Kattia didn’t polish the jasper, Kattia didn’t polish the flint, and Kattia didn’t polish the slate.
18. From clue 9: Baldric didn’t polish the opal, Elanna didn’t polish the opal, Isaac didn’t polish the opal, and Kattia didn’t polish the opal.
19. Also: Minty didn’t polish the opal.
20. From clue 12: Kattia polished the quartz, Ada didn’t polish the garnet, Ada didn’t polish the jasper, and Ada didn’t polish the slate.
21. Also: Baldric didn’t polish the quartz, Baldric didn’t polish the flint, Dan didn’t polish the opal, and Dan didn’t polish the quartz.
22. Also: Dan didn’t polish the flint, Elanna didn’t polish the quartz, Elanna didn’t polish the flint, and Isaac didn’t polish the quartz.
23. Also: Isaac didn’t polish the flint, Minty didn’t polish the garnet, Minty didn’t polish the jasper, and Minty didn’t polish the slate.
24. From clue 9: Dan caught the pike.
25. From clue 13: Dan polished the slate.
26. From clue 14: Baldric didn’t polish the jasper.
27. From clue 15: Baldric didn’t polish the garnet, Elanna didn’t polish the garnet, and Isaac polished the garnet.
28. From clue 16: Elanna caught the trout.
29. From clue 17: Minty polished the flint.
30. Only one possibility remains: Ada caught the carp, Baldric caught the loach, Ada polished the opal, and Baldric polished the topaz.
31. Also: Elanna polished the jasper.
32. From clue 8: Baldric grew the gourd and Elanna grew the yam.
