

# LOGIC PROBLEM 1

## CRIME STORIES

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Last year, "Ruby Red" and three other books were nominated for the coveted Edward Award for best mystery novel. By chance, each of the books, including the one written by Weston, features a tough private investigator (one protagonist's first name is Nick) who unravels crime in a different U.S. city (one book takes place in Los Angeles). From this information and the clues below, can you determine each writer's full name, book, his or her fictional detective's full name, and the city where the story takes place?

1. St. Just, the writer of "Wise Guy," is often asked by fans whether this last name is real or a pen name.
2. Melody, whose main character is named Cleo, isn't Dekker.
3. In April's book (which isn't "Cat's Eye"), a detective uncovers a money-laundering ring in Seattle.
4. Jeff and Hunter were both previously nominated.
5. Steve named his main character Matt after his older brother.
6. Detective Pushkin is the protagonist of "New Moon."
7. The detective named Jay fights crime in the author's home city of New York.
8. In one book, Detective Dante pounds the streets of Chicago.
9. Dekker (whose book doesn't take place in Seattle) created the detective named Herrick (whose first name isn't Jay).
10. "Cat's Eye" stars the investigator named Browning.

Solution is on page 79.

If you care to use the chart below in solving this Problem, you do so by entering all information obtained from the clues using, perhaps, an X to indicate a definite "no" and a dot to show a definite "yes." Remember: Once you enter a definite "yes" (dot), place a "no" (X) in all the rest of the boxes in each row and column that contains the dot.

	Dekker	Hunter	St. Just	Weston	"Cat's Eye"	"New Moon"	"Ruby Red"	"Wise Guy"	Cleo	Jay	Matt	Nick	Brown.	Dante	Herr.	Push.	Chic.	L. A.	N. Y.	Seat.
April																				
Jeff																				
Melody																				
Steve																				
Chicago																				
L. A.																				
N. Y.																				
Seattle																				
Browning																				
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