Read the mystery below to find evidence to identify the innocent and guilty suspects. Remember, the story and suspects’ statements are true.

The Big City Bicycle Thief

1Today at 12 p.m., the New York City Police arrested one of the suspects below for stealing a bicycle in front of a phone store between 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. 2Police were helped by three witnesses who gave them statements about what they saw. 3Each suspect also gave the police a statement which is listed below. 4After weighing all the evidence, the police arrested one of the suspects. 5The suspect later confessed, and the bicycle was found in his apartment.

Witness 1: 6He was younger than me. 7He had a dark mustache. 8His shirt was open at the neck and had a white stripe.

Witness 2: 9When he looked to see if the bike was locked, I saw that he had a large, red scar across his cheek.

Witness 3: 10The thief had dark facial hair. 11I’m pretty sure his shirt was blue or green.

Bob Veach  
12I was in the city in the morning, but I walked home. 13I was surprised when the police car pulled me over for questioning. 14I’ve never ridden a bicycle.

Steve Berta  
15I left the phone store shortly after 9:30 a.m. and went straight home and then straight to work until 5 p.m. 16At one point on my way back home, I looked back and saw the bicycle in front of the store.

Sam Edwards  
17I love to ride, but I rode to the area of the store and back on a bicycle.

Kent Kitchel  
18I rode out of the city just after 10 a.m. this morning. 19The police stopped me, and I gave them my statement.