# The Rivaling Alchemists – dialogue

***Journal entries***

### Path 1

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| **Quest stage** |  |
| 10 | Nevusa Falen in Andothren asked me to help her framing the other alchemist in town, who she is accusing for stealing her customers despite selling wares of much lower quality than hers. |
| 15 | I’ve declined to help Nevusa with the fraud. |
| 20 | I’ve accepted the offer. I’m asked to go to Fauler’s Philters and plant a spoiled potion into Hemmette Fauler’s supply chest. Afterwards I should tell the guards that she is selling spoiled potions. This is bound to cause problems for Hemmette, since she had an incident with potions that had spoiled when she arrived, which brought the guards’ attention. Nevusa promised me a rich reward, but perhaps I should report her to the guards instead? |
| 30 | I was caught when trying to plant the potion into the chest. Nevusa won’t be happy about this. |
| 35 | Hemmette noticed that I was sneaking into her belongings, but I think my excuse was convincing enough as to not raise suspicion. |
| 40 | I’ve successfully planted the potion into the chest. Now I should report it to the guards. |
| 50 | I’ve reported Hemmette to a guard. He asked me to meet up with him inside Fauler’s Philters in an hour. |
| 60 | Hemmette was arrested for her supposed trickery. As she couldn’t pay up, she will now serve time in jail. I should report my success to Nevusa. |
| 70 | Hemmette had noticed the spoiled potion among her belongings. Without evidence, the guard couldn’t arrest her. I should report my failure to Nevusa. |
| 80 | I’ve killed Hemmette Fauler. |
| 100 | Nevusa was happy about my successful endeavor. She rewarded me with a special amulet and will from now on offer reduced prices in her shop. |
| 110 | Nevusa was furious when I told her that I had failed the mission. I think I should keep away from her for a while. |
| 120 | While being pleased that she had got rid of a rival, Nevusa was not very happy with the murder. Nevertheless, she will offer reduced prices in her shop. |

### Path 2

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| 20 | I told Tilara Danar, Andothren’s guard captain, about Nevusa’s planned fraud. She asked me to tell the guard inside Nevusa’s shop about the matter. In case he resists, I should command him to report to Tilara afterwards. |
| 50 | I was able to convince the guard in Nevusa’s store to arrest her for the attempted fraud. |
| 100 | Nevusa was furious about my deceit. However, she was able to escape justice by bribing the guard. As a token of gratitude, he offered me 50 gold for it. I think I should keep away from Nevusa’s shop for a while. |
| 110 | Nevusa was furious about my deceit. However, she was able to escape justice by bribing the guard. He offered me some gold as a token of gratitude, but I refused it since I don’t want to take part in the city’s corruption. I think I should keep away from Nevusa’s shop for a while. |

### Path 3

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| 10 | I’ve told Hemmette Fauler about Nevusa’s plan. She was relieved that I chose to tell her, but did not seem surprised. To stop Nevusa from planning future mischiefs, she asked me if I would help her with revenge. |
| 15 | I’ve refused Hemmette’s offer. |
| 20 | I’ve agreed to help Hemmette with the revenge on Nevusa. She asked me to return tomorrow, as she needs some time to make up a plan. |
| 25 | Nevusa was furious when I told her that I had failed the mission. I think I should keep away from her for a while. |
| 30 | One day has passed, so I should return to Hemmette. |
| 40 | Hemmette provided a forged letter which describes a shady interaction between Nevusa Falen and the Camonna Tong. Meanwhile, she has spread out a rumor in the city about this business. My task is to plant the letter among Nevusa’s belongings, but I need to decide whether I want to place it in her desk, or at the invented hiding place along with some gold that I’d have to provide myself. |
| 45 | I’ve decided to put the letter in Nevusa’s desk. I should wait one day before returning to Hemmette. |
| 50 | Nevusa caught me when I tried to plant the letter into her desk. I may still ask Hemmette if I can put it at the hiding place instead. Otherwise, I could make another attempt and hope for the best. |
| 60 | I’ve successfully planted the letter into Nevusa’s desk. I should return to Hemmette tomorrow and report my success. |
| 61 | I’ve successfully planted the letter into Nevusa’s desk. Since one day has passed, I should immediately return to Hemmett and report my success. |
| 70 | I’ve decided to put the letter in the barrel just outside Nevusa’s shop. To make the evidence convincing, I need to accompany the letter with 400 gold. Hemmette will return the money later. I should wait one day before returning to her. |
| 75 | I’ve put the letter in the barrel along with the gold. I should return to Hemmette tomorrow and report my success. |
| 76 | I’ve put the letter in the barrel along with the gold. Since one day has passed, I should immediately return to Hemmett and report my success. |
| 80 | One day has passed, so I should return to Hemmette. |
| 90 | With the evidence planted, and the rumor having got time to spread, Hemmette asked me to report the matter to Andothren’s guard captain, Tilara Danar. Her office is in the south section of the eastern guard towers. |
| 95 | Tilara Danar had heard the rumors, and agreed to start an investigation. She will immediately go to Nevusa Falen’s place and look for evidence. |
| 100 | Tilara Danar has arrested Nevusa Falen. Presented with the evidence, Nevusa had no other choice but to pay a hefty bounty. However, she saw through my part in it and will substantially raise her prices should I ever wish to do business with her again. I should return to Hemmette and report my success. |
| 105 | Tilara Danar told me that they had found evidence for Nevusa’s crime, and she was punished for her actions. I should return to Hemmette and report my success. |
| 110 | I’ve visited Nevusa Falen’s shop, but the investigation was already done. She furiously told me about the evidence they had found and that she had been charged with a hefty bounty for it. However, she saw through my part in it and will substantially raise her prices should I ever wish to do business with her again. I should return to Hemmette and report my success. |
| 115 | Nevusa Falen had found the forged letter! Without any evidence, Tilara Danar abondoned the investigation. This did not prevent Nevusa from blaming me for my actions, and she will substantially raise her prices should I ever wish to do business with her again. I should return to Hemmette and report my failure. |
| 120 | Tilara Danar told me that no evidence was found, so Nevusa must have found the letter after all! I should return to Hemmette and report my failure. |
| 125 | I’ve visited Nevusa Falen’s shop, but the investigation was already done. She told me that she had found the evidence and the investigation had been abandoned. She also accused me for planting the letter, and will substantially raise her prices should I ever wish to do business with her again. I should return to Hemmette and report my failure. |
| 130 | I’ve told Hemmette that the fraud had been successful. She was happy and rewarded me with three exclusive potions and will from now on offer reduced prices in her shop. In addition, she expects to improve her stock in a couple of days. |
| 135 | I’ve told Hemmette that the fraud had been successful. She was happy and rewarded me with three exclusive potions and will from now on offer reduced prices in her shop. In addition, she expects to improve her stock in a couple of days. I should return to her in a week to reclaim the gold she owes me. |
| 140 | One week has passed, so I should return to Hemmette to reclaim my gold. |
| 145 | Hemmette was finally able to pay her debt, along with another 100 gold for the trouble. |
| 150 | Hemmette was disappointed when she learned about my failure. She fears Nevusa will make another attempt on framing her in the near future. Oh well, this conflict won’t end anytime soon. |

### Path 4

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| 50 | I’ve killed Nevusa Falen. |
| 100 | While understanding my decision, Hemmette was not very happy that I had killed Nevusa. Nevertheless, she will offer reduced prices in her shop and expects to improve her stock in a couple of days. |

## Topic “latest rumors”

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| **Conditions** |  |
| Default | We recently got a new alchemist in town, a Breton. Ever since then, she and our Dunmer alchemist have been fighting constantly. |
| Non-mer races | We recently got a new alchemist in town, a Breton. Ever since then, she and our Dark Elf alchemist have been fighting constantly. |
| Camonna Tong | Recently an outlander alchemist moved into town. Ever since then, our native Dunmer alchemist has been trying to teach her that she doesn’t belong here. I hope she’ll be able to scare off that outlander soon. |
| Hemmette in jail | I heard Hemmette Fauler was trying to trick her customers by selling spoiled potions, so they put her in prison. If she ever gets out of there, I’d never visit her shop again. |
| Hemmette in jail, Camonna Tong | Ha! They sentenced that outlander alchemist to prison for selling spoiled potions! What do we learn from this? Never trust an outlander!\*ehum\* |
| Hemmette in jail, Imperial Commission | The Hlaalu guard just brought a new prisoner to our jail. I think she was sentenced on a bit loose grounds, but they are the ones enforcing the law here, not us. You may speak to her if you want. |
| Hemmette released | The Breton alchemist is back in business again. I would think twice before visiting her, though. You never know what she’d be selling you. |
| Hemmette released, Camonna Tong | It seems that cursed outlander alchemist was released from jail. I hope the time she spent there taught her a lesson. Not that I would ever visit her shop. |
| Hemmette released, Janonia Melitus | Hemmette Fauler has got released from our prison and could return to her shop. I had my doubts on the validity of those accusations from the start, but it took some time to get her out. |
| Hemmette’s rumor | It’s all over the city! Nevusa Falen is having shady dealings with Camonna Tong! I thought she was an honest merchant, but now I’d think twice before dealing with her. |
| Hemmette’s rumor, Camonna Tong | Oh, are you going to confront us with that false rumor about Nevusa Falen’s dealings with us? As if we ever would be so clumsy even if it were true. Someone’s trying to frame us, that’s for sure. I bet it’s the Thieves Guild! Now get lost! |
| Nevusa found guilty | So it was true, Nevusa Falen indeed had some shady dealings with Camonna Tong. I’d keep away from her shop if I were you. |
| Nevusa found guilty, Camonna Tong | Oh, are you going to confront us with that false accusation about Nevusa Falen’s dealings with us? The evidence they found at her establishment was forged, that’s obvious. I bet the Thieves Guild was behind it all! Now get lost! |
| Nevusa found innocent | They never found any proof of the accusations against Nevusa Falen, so I guess they were all false. She’s accusing Hemmette Fauler for the slander, but who didn’t expect that? I bet they will continue fighting until one of them falls off the line. |
| Nevusa found innocent, Camonna Tong | Nevusa Falen was found innocent; who’d thought anything else? Those outlanders always come up with stories to frame us; I think the best would be to get rid of them all. Not to speak of the Thieves Guild! |
| Hemmette dead | That Breton alchemist was found murdered in her shop! I bet the other alchemist was behind it, they have been fighting since the new one arrived. |
| Hemmette dead, Camonna Tong | That outlander alchemist was found murdered in her shop! They say the other alchemist was behind it, but I’m sure she would have been more discreet than that. |
| Nevusa dead | The fine alchemist Nevusa Falen was found murdered in her shop! I bet that Breton alchemist was behind it, they have been fighting ever since she came here. |
| Nevusa dead,Camonna Tong | The fine alchemist Nevusa Falen was found murdered in her shop! If we could only prove that that horrid outlander alchemist was behind it, then she’d suffer the same fate herself! |

## Nevusa Falen’s dialogue

### Greetings

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| **Condition (level within brackets)** |  |
| Before starting quest (5) | You have made a great choice, %PCClass, visiting the best alchemist in Andothren. I wish everyone were as smart as you, but sadly I’ve lost a lot of customers recently. You seem to be able, though, so perhaps you could help me taking dealing with that other alchemist? |
| After accepting (5) | Hello %PCName. Had any luck yet with planting that spoiled potion? |
| Mission accomplished (5) | Hello %PCName. I heard they sentenced that other alchemist into prison. You did a great work! Here, take this amulet. It was very useful for me when I learned the arts of alchemy, but now I’m sure you’ll find more use for it than me. And please come back anytime you want. I’ll reduce the prices in my shop for you from now on. |
| Hemmette dead, at least one day past (1) | So there you are, %PCClass. I— \*gulp\* I heard they found that other alchemist’s corpse in her shop. I’d suspect she drank one of her own poisons, but there was clear evidence that she’d been murdered. Do you know anything about this?Player choices:1. Yes, I killed her, so now you don’t need to worry about her any longer.
2. What? Is she dead?
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| Choice 1 | Are you insane?! I wanted to get rid of her, but I’m no murderer. Don’t you realize how the talk in the city will go? If someone asks, I wasn’t involved in this, is that clear?I guess I should’ve given you clearer instructions \*sigh\*. You did make me a great service, though, so I’ll reduce my prices for you from now on. |
| Choice 2, low Speechcraft | You’re a bad liar, did you know that? I guess I also would have lied in your situation, but I hope you understand this could put me in trouble. Don’t you realize how the talk in the city will go? If someone asks, I wasn’t involved in this, is that clear?I guess I should’ve given you clearer instructions \*sigh\*. You did make me a great service, though, so I’ll reduce my prices for you from now on. |
| Choice 2, high Speechcraft | So you had no part in it? Good! Well, I guess fate has been on our side then. I’m just worried people in the city may suspect me for the murder, you know how rumors spread. As for you, I cannot blame you for not being able to fulfil your task, so I’ll reduce my prices for you from now on. |
| After failing quest (7) | You failed me, %PCClass, yet you decided to visit again. Perhaps you have realized that I’m far superior to that other alchemist after all? |
| Hemmette’s rumor (5) | Someone’s spreading slander about me! As if I’d ever have any business with criminals! I’m sure that other alchemist is behind it all! Do you know anything about it, %PCClass? |
| Caught while planting letter (1; force greet) | What do you think you are doing, sneaking among my belongings?!Player: I was just looking—I don’t care what you’d thought you would find there! First you fail me, and then you’re trying to steal my stuff! GET OUT!Goodbye |
| Caught a second time, male (1; force greet) | Didn’t I just make it clear that you’ve got no business in my desk?! Guard, seize him!Goodbye |
| Caught a second time, female (1; force greet) | Didn’t I just make it clear that you’ve got no business in my desk?! Guard, seize her!Goodbye |
| Just after arrest (1; force greet) | Come here, %PCClass, I want a word with you!Player: continue (triggers choice 3) |
| Journal 110 (1) | So you dare visiting me after all the harm you’ve caused me? Don’t play the innocent; I’m sure you knew I got arrested! You thought I’d end up in prison, didn’t you? Well, on that part you were wrong, because I had saved enough gold to pay.Player: continue (triggers choice 3) |
| Choice 3, letter in desk | I’m not a fool; didn’t you think I would realize your part in this? That Breton woman was behind it all of course, why else would it happen so soon after I sent you with the potion, but don’t expect me to believe you are innocent! I’ve seen you sneaking around my shop, I’m sure you must’ve planted the letter!Player: continue (triggers choice 4) |
| Choice 3, letter in stash | I’m not a fool; didn’t you think I would realize your part in this? That Breton woman was behind it all of course, why else would it happen so soon after I sent you with the potion, but don’t expect me to believe you are innocent! Clever to put the evidence outside my shop, I’ll grant you that, otherwise I would’ve caught you!Player: continue (triggers choice 4) |
| Choice 4 | I’ll make sure you’ll pay my bounty one way or another, mark my words. Otherwise SHE will pay it. For starters, should you ever wish to do business with me again, you’ll pay much more than before. And since my potions are the best in town, you will come back, won’t you? |
| Just after failed arrest (1; force greet) | Come here, %PCClass, I want a word with you!Player: continue (triggers choice 5) |
| Journal 125 (1) | Brave of you to visit me after all the harm you’ve caused me. You thought I’d be arrested by now, didn’t you? Perhaps even in prison? The guard captain was here, indeed, but I’m afraid she found nothing of interest.Player: continue (triggers choice 5) |
| Choice 5 | I’m not a fool; didn’t you think I’d look through my desk after you had been sneaking there? That Breton woman thought she was clever sending you to plant that letter, didn’t she? Oh, how I’d love to see the expression on her face when you tell her!Just because I found the evidence doesn’t mean I’m going to treat you as a friend now, if you thought so. And not her either. For starters, should you ever wish to do business with me again, you’ll pay much more than before. And since my potions are the best in town, you will come back, won’t you? |
| After finished framing Nevusa (7) | So you came back after all? Well, you are free to buy any potions you’d like, but they won’t come cheap! Certainly not for you! |
| After finished framing Nevusa, Argonian (7) | So you came back after all, scaleface? Well, you are free to buy any potions you’d like, but they won’t come cheap! Certainly not for you! |
| After finished framing Nevusa, Khajiit (7) | So you came back after all, furcoat? Well, you are free to buy any potions you’d like, but they won’t come cheap! Certainly not for you! |

### Topic “other alchemist”

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| **Condition** |  |
| Starting quest | Her name is Hemmette Fauler, a Breton, and she’s a horrible amateur alchemist. She moved here just a while ago, and you know what? The first thing that happens is that the she tries to trick honest customers into buying spoiled potions! The guards weren’t too happy, I can tell, but STILL she’s getting a lot of customers visiting her pothole? Isn’t it amazing? They should come to ME!I have a plan, though, which should make every honest mer turning their backs from her. I have a spoiled potion here, and if someone would plant it into her belongings, we could use it to trick the guards that she’s still selling them? You could be that someone; are you in?Player choices:1. Sure, I’d be happy to help.
2. I’d rather not.
3. I need some time to decide.
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| Choice 1 | Splendid! Here is the potion. Now go to Fauler’s Philters – it’s just across the canal – and plant the potion into her chest. Then find a guard and tell him that Hemmette is still selling spoiled potions. Then return to me. That’s it! You won’t be disappointed with the rewards I’ve got in mind for you. |
| Choice 2 | You disappoint me, %PCClass. Well, it’s your choice. I’m sure I’ll find someone else who is willing to do the deed. |
| Choice 3 | Then return to me when you’ve decided to help me. Please don’t linger too long with it. We don’t want that Breton to steal even more of my customers! |
| In progress | I asked you to plant a spoiled potion into her chest. Any luck so far? |
| Hemmette in prison | No need to worry about her any longer. May she rot in that prison cell! |
| Hemmette released | She got released, huh? I don’t think many customers will return to her now anyway, so she got what she deserved. |
| Quest failed, alternative 1 | Argh, don’t remind me about her! She is stealing more of my customers than ever thanks to you! |
| Quest failed, alternative 2 | She may still be in business, but my potions are STILL far superior to hers! Never forget that! |
| Hemmette’s rumor | Argh, don’t remind me about her! I’m sure she’s the one behind all this slander! |
| After arrest | NEVER mention that horrible woman in front of me again! If you’re not here to do business, leave me alone! |

### Topic “spoiled potion”

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| **Condition** |  |
| Quest in progress | Have you succeeded in planting that potion yet?Player choices (not all may apply at the beginning):1. Yes, the deed is done.
2. This task is proving too difficult for me.
3. I’m sorry, she noticed me sneaking into her belongings.
4. I’m still working on it.
5. No need for that anymore, I’ve killed Hemmette.
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| Choice 1, before arresting Hemmette | I haven’t heard any word of Hemmette’s downfall. Make sure to report her to a guard, will you? |
| Choice 2 | I should’ve realized you were not up for the task! Now get out of my sight!Goodbye |
| Choice 3 | You imbecile! Did I need to tell you that this is a task that requires stealth? Or is that a skill you lack? Get out of my sight!Goodbye |
| Choice 4 | Good. Then get going, I can’t wait forever, you know.Goodbye |
| Choice 5 | \*gulp\* You did WHAT?! I wanted to get rid of her, but I’m no murderer. Don’t you realize how the talk in the city will go? If someone asks, I wasn’t involved in this, is that clear?I guess I should’ve given you clearer instructions \*sigh\*. You did make me a great service, though, so I’ll reduce my prices for you from now on. |

### Other topics

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| **Topic** | **Condition** |  |
| Background | Hemmette in prison, or dead | I am %Name. Pleased to meet you. You made a wise choice coming to me. My potions are the best in town, and will always be. |
| Nevusa Falen |  | That’s me. |

## Hemmette Fauler’s dialogue

### Greetings

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| **Condition (level within brackets)** |  |
| Caught while planting potion (1; force greet) | HEY! What are you doing in my chest?!Player choices (some will have special conditions):1. I confess. Nevusa Falen tasked me to plant a spoiled potion among your belongings.
2. I got a job from the Thieves Guild to get some potions. I thought I’d found them here.
3. I’m injured. And low on gold! So I thought I could get a healing potion here. Please have mercy on me!
4. Ehm, I was looking for something…
5. Eh… uhm… I’m just a simple thief!
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| Choice 1, low Speechcraft | So you could report me to the guards? Of course, that hag’s exploiting that mistake I did to get rid of me! Well, I bet she can’t see the difference between a thief and a scamp, so I’m not worried about whatever fool she’d send next!Goodbye |
| Choice 1, high Speechcraft | So you could report me to the guards? Of course, that hag’s exploiting that mistake I did to get rid of me! Well, you underestimated me, but you speak well, so perhaps you have other skills? Nevusa would never expect you to work for me instead, so maybe you could help me give her what she deserves? |
| Choice 2 | Can’t you see that I’m just a poor alchemist? I thought there was honor among thieves! Go steal from that pretentious Nevusa instead; she deserves to lose some potions!Goodbye |
| Choice 3 | Oh dear, you could just have asked! No need to try stealing from me. Here, have a potion!Goodbye |
| Choice 4-5 | Stealing, huh? You’re a bad thief and a worse person! Get lost!Goodbye |
| Caught a second time, after choice 1 (1; force greet) | Trying again, are you? This is ridiculous! Why don’t you go telling Nevusa what poor clot you are!Goodbye |
| Caught a second time, after choice 2 (1; force greet) | Didn’t I tell you to go stealing from Nevusa instead? Whatever business you have in my chest, it’s clearly not a job from the Thieves Guild! Get out!Goodbye |
| Caught a second time, after choice 3 (1; force greet) | I gave you your potion, and yet you’re trying to steal from me again! I sense you have some other mischief on your mind. Are you working for Nevusa by any chance?Player choices: 1, 4, and 5 above. |
| Caught a second time, default (1; force greet) | Keep out of my chest, THIEF!Goodbye |
| In jail (1) | What are you doing here? Are you happy now, seeing me like this? I don’t want to talk to you. Go bother someone else!Goodbye |
| Released from jail (7) | So you bother visiting me after all harm you’ve caused me? Well, you’re welcome to do business with me if you want, but I guess you prefer Nevusa’s leering face! |
| Revealing her plan (5) | There you are, %PCName. Are you ready to help me pushing Nevusa Falen off the line? |
| Not decided (5) | There you are, %PCName. Have you decided where to put the forged letter yet? |
| One day passed (5) | Hello %PCName. The rumor has spread! Have you planted the letter yet?Player choices (only one or two of these will be available):1. Yes, the deed is done.
2. No, I’m still working on it.
3. Nevusa caught me. Can I put the letter at the hiding place instead?
4. No need for that, I killed Nevusa.
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| Choice 6, letter in desk | Splendid! Now listen. I want you to go to the guard captain, Tilara Danar. She resides in the southern section of the eastern guard towers. Convince her to start an investigation against Nevusa. She seems a reasonable person -- for a Dark Elf at least -- so it shouldn’t be too difficult.Goodbye |
| Choice 6, letter in stash | Splendid! Now listen. I want you to go to the guard captain, Tilara Danar. She resides in the southern section of the eastern guard towers. Convince her to start an investigation against Nevusa. She seems a reasonable person -- for a Dark Elf at least -- so it shouldn’t be too difficult.One more thing, don’t tell her where you put the letter. I already sent a witness her way to tell her that, so one more account could make her suspicious.Goodbye |
| Choice 7 | What are you waiting for? We need to act when the rumor is still fresh, so don’t waste any more time!Goodbye |
| Choice 8 | That’s unfortunate, so it’s good you told me. Sure! There’s a barrel just outside the entrance of her shop. She’ll never look there. Just put the letter there, along with 400 gold. I’ll compensate you as soon as I can. Now off with you!Goodbye |
| Choice 9 | \*fainting\* Oh dear, oh dear, oh dear. I didn’t know I was dealing with a murderer! I guess I should be relieved that you weren’t working for her any longer at least. And now everyone in the city will suspect me, of course! What should I do?Oh well, I guess you did what you thought was best, so I suppose I should reward you. You know, I’ll offer you reduced prices in my shop from now on. Just make sure to fend off any assassins coming my way, will you? |
| Before reporting to Tilara (1) | What are you doing here? Go and report to Tilara!Goodbye |
| Before reporting to Tilara, Nevusa dead (1) | What are you doing here? Go and report to Tilara!Player: No need for that, I killed Nevusa. (triggers choice 9) |
| During the investigation (5) | Hello %PCName. Have you reported to Tilara Danar yet?Player: Yes, she started the investigation herself.She did? That’s great! Oh, I’m so excited to see what will happen to Nevusa! I wish I could go there myself and witness the arrest. |
| Nevusa arrested (5) | Hello %PCName! I just heard the great news of your success! Too bad they didn’t put Nevusa behind bars, but what else could you expect from these Dark Elves? But now when everyone thinks Nevusa is a criminal, I’m sure they will come to me instead!Player: continue (triggers choice 11) |
| Choice 11, letter in desk | Here, take these potions. I had put them aside for emergencies, but now when I’ll be bathing in gold, I’m sure I’ll be able to get better equipment. You know, I might even be able to improve my stock! And please return whenever you want. I will reduce my prices for you from now on. |
| Choice 11, letter in stash | Here, take these potions. I had put them aside for emergencies, but now when I’ll be bathing in gold, I’m sure I’ll be able to get better equipment. And yes, I’ll make sure to pay back what I owe you. Just give me a week, okay? |
| Nevusa escaping arrest (5) | Hello %PCName, they never found the letter, did you hear? My plan was so fool-proof, how could it all go wrong? We must have underestimated Nevusa; I thought she was such an oaf. What should I do now? She will take revenge on me, that’s for sure! |
| One week later, paying her debt (5) | Hello %PCName. I’ve got so many customers now, did you know? It’s wonderful! Here’s the gold I owed you, including some extra coins for your trouble. Will you buy some potions as well? I have more varieties now than ever before! |
| One week later, paying her debt + hired guard (5) | Hello %PCName. I’ve got so many customers now, did you know? It’s wonderful! I’ve even been able to hire a guard! Here’s the gold I owed you, including some extra coins for your trouble. Will you buy some potions as well? I have more varieties now than ever before! |
| One week later, hired guard (5) | Hello %PCName. I’ve got so many customers now, did you know? It’s wonderful! I’ve even been able to hire a guard! Will you buy some potions today? I have more varieties now than ever before! |
| Nevusa dead, one day passed (1) | So there you are, %PCName. I— \*gulp\* I heard Nevusa was murdered in her shop! Or at least it was there they found her corpse. Do you know anything about this?Player choices:1. Yes, I killed her, so now you don’t need to worry about her any longer.
2. What? Is she dead? I didn’t do it!
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| Choice 10, low Speechcraft | You’re lying; I can see it in your face. Oh, please, don’t hurt me! \*shaking\*I’m sorry. I must seem such a fool! Of course you did this for me! It’s just – you know – I didn’t expect you capable of doing that. And now everyone in the city will suspect me for doing it! What should I do?Oh well, I guess you did what you thought was best, so I suppose I should reward you. You know, I’ll offer you reduced prices in my shop from now on. Just make sure to fend off any assassins coming here, will you? |
| Choice 10, high Speechcraft | Phew! I almost thought you were guilty, you know. I guess we were lucky then. I don’t know how to deal with the smallfolk, though. I’m sure they’ll suspect me! But let’s face that another time.Well, we were never able to complete our plan, but you’ve been helpful for me, so I guess I should return the favor. You know, I’ll offer you reduced prices in my shop from now on. How does that sound? |
| Nevusa killed during investigation (1) | I heard it! You killed her in front of the eyes of the guard captain! Are you insane?! Everyone knows you work for me! I’m doomed!Player: Calm down, it was I who did it, you don’t need to worry.You think so? Well, you gave me quite a shock there! I think it was stupid, but I guess you did what you thought was best. I suppose I should reward you for that. You know, I’ll offer you reduced prices in my shop from now on. Just make sure to fend off any assassins coming here, will you? |

### Topic “spoiled potion”

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| **Condition** |  |
| While working for Nevusa, or after deceiving her | You want to talk about that incident? The potions had spoiled during the transport from High Rock! I’d never have sold them, but the guards refused to believe it! Had I not been an outlander they’d never have cared, I’m sure of it!Player choices (condition dependent):1. Nevusa Falen asked me to plant a spoiled potion into your chest.
2. Have a look in your chest, there’s a spoiled potion there.
3. Nevusa Falen asked me to plant a spoiled potion into your chest, but I had the guards arresting her for it.
4. Someone said you’re still selling spoiled potions.
5. I see.
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| Choice 1 | That horrid arrogant cursed woman! I see where this is going! Can’t stand a bit of competition, aye? Thanks for telling me, but I can’t let her get away with this. Would you like to help me give her what she deserves? |
| Choice 2 | Wait a moment… By the Nine, there is! How did that end up in there?Player: I put it there. Nevusa asked me to do it.That horrid arrogant cursed woman! I see where this could have ended! Can’t stand a bit of competition, aye? I guess I should punish you for this, but I’m glad you told me. Oh damn, Nevusa will never stop at this! If I only could afford to hire a guard!You know, we need stop that woman. Would you like to help me give her what she deserves? |
| Choice 3 | She did what?! I see where this would’ve been going! How did it go with Nevusa?Player: She was able to bribe herself out of the situation.Oh, these corrupt Dark Elves! That’s a pity. I guess it will prevent her from trying again, though, so thank you for stopping her. |
| Choice 4 | Who said that? It’s a lie! It was Nevusa, wasn’t it? Oh, that cursed woman, tell her she can go to Oblivion! |
| Choice 5 | Just don’t talk about it again, will you? |
| Bringing it up a second time | Oh please! Don’t bring that up again. I already told you about it.Player choices (condition dependent): 1-4 above,1. Sorry.
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### Topic “give her what she deserves”

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| **Condition** |  |
| First presented with the proposal | Let’s punish Nevusa for her attempted fraud. You’re willing to help me, aren’t you?Player choices:1. Of course!
2. On second thought, I pass.
3. I need to think about it.
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| Choice 1 | I knew I could count on you! I don’t have any solid plan at the moment, so you need to give me some time. Return to me in a day. Then I’m sure to have it all set. |
| Choice 2 | You disappoint me. I guess I’ll have to come up with an idea that doesn’t involve you, then. |
| Choice 3 | Come on. You can’t let Nevusa get away without punishment, can you? But okay, take your time. |
| Returning too soon | The plan is not ready yet. I told you to wait a day, didn’t I? |
| Revealing her plan | The plan is all set. Are you ready to push Nevusa Falen off the line? |

### Topic “Nevusa Falen”

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| **Condition** |  |
| Revealing her plan | Listen, this is the plan to deal with her. I got this forged letter from one of my contacts. Here, take it. It gives evidence of shady dealings with a Camonna Tong member in Menaan. I’m sure the city’s authorities will never go that far to investigate the validity of the letter, so this is bound to succeed.I’ve spread a rumor in the city, making everyone aware of Nevusa’s connection. Rumors tend to spread fast, but I think we should give it at least a day. In the meantime, you will plant this letter into Nevusa’s desk. She won’t expect you to work against you, so I bet she wouldn’t notice.Player: Nevusa has a guard.Of course, she’s an upper class merchant! Okay, I’d actually thought about this, so I’ll give you an alternative. Let’s say Nevusa hasn’t picked up the letter yet. It’s supposed to be delivered at a secret hiding place, along with 400 gold. I’m a bit low on gold right now, so you’ll have to provide that yourself, but I’m sure this option would be easier. I’d compensate you as soon as I can. Which option do you choose?Player choices:1. I’ll put it in the desk.
2. I’ll put it at the hiding place.
3. I haven’t decided yet.
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| Choice 1 | Good! Just be careful, will you? |
| Choice 2 | There’s a barrel just outside the entrance of her shop. She’ll never look there. Just put the letter there, and don’t forget the gold. |
| Choice 3 | Don’t take too long. We need to act when the rumor is still fresh, you know. |
| Before deciding | Have you decided where to put that forged letter yet? |
| Less than one day passed | The rumor hasn’t spread yet. We still need to wait before setting off the trap. |
| During investigation | I’m so excited what will happen to her! Could you go there and look? |
| Nevusa arrested | Now everyone in the city believes she’s dealing with criminals. She got what she deserved. |
| Arrest failed | It’s sad that we weren’t able to punish her. |

### Topic “forged letter”

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| **Condition** |  |
| Before deciding | Where have you decided to place it?Player choices:1. I’ll put it in the desk.
2. I’ll put it at the hiding place.
3. I haven’t decided yet.
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| Choice 1 | Good! Just be careful, will you? |
| Choice 2 | There’s a barrel just outside the entrance of her shop. She’ll never look there. Just put the letter there, and don’t forget the gold. |
| Choice 3 | Don’t take too long. We need to act when the rumor is still fresh, you know. |
| Letter not placed, desk option | Now go to Nevusa’s shop and put it in her desk. |
| Letter not placed, stash option | Now go and put it in the barrel just outside Nevusa’s shop. And don’t forget the gold. |
| Letter placed, less than one day passed | You placed the letter? Good! We still need to wait for the rumor to spread, though. |

### Other topics

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| **Topic** | **Condition** |  |
| Background | Out of prison | The name's %Name. I’m back in business now, but hardly anyone’s coming here any longer. I’m STILL a better alchemist than Nevusa, though! |
|  | Nevusa dead | The name's %Name. I'm the best alchemist in Andothren. |
| other alchemist | While working for Nevusa | You mean that pretentious fraud Nevusa? She may go to Oblivion for all that I care. |
|  | Out of prison | That cursed horrible scumbag! If it weren’t for her, I’d never end up in that cold cell! She could go to Oblivion, and bring you with her! |
|  | Nevusa arrested | Now everyone in the city believes she’s dealing with criminals. She got what she deserved. |
|  | Arrest failed | It’s sad that we weren’t able to punish her. |

## Tilara Danar’s dialogue

### Greetings

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| **Condition (level within brackets)** |  |
| During investigation (1) | I’m sorry, %PCClass, but I’m busy right now. If you have more matters to discuss, meet me in my office when this investigation’s done.Goodbye |
| Killing Nevusa during investigation (1) | Oi! Nevusa is dead! Murdered in her shop! I’ve got a very strong suspicion that YOU were the one who did it, but since your name is clear, there is nothing I can do about it.There is no point pursuing this investigation any longer, so I’ll return to the office.Goodbye |
| Speaking to her again (1) | There is no point pursuing this investigation any longer, so I’ll return to the office.Goodbye |
| Arresting Nevusa (1; force greet) | Nevusa Falen, we found this letter. It puts you in a very bad position, so you’d better explain yourself.Nevusa: *What?! I’ve never seen that letter before, I swear! Where did you find it?*continue (triggers choice 1) |
| Choice 1, letter in desk | Just to make it clear, I’m the one asking questions. You look confused, though, so I’ll tell you. It was in your desk. Does it ring a bell?Nevusa: *None at all, I’m afraid. Someone else must’ve sneaked it in there!*That’s easy for you to say. Too bad for you, that excuse has not helped other criminals while I’ve been in charge. So either you come with me or pay your bounty!continue (triggers choice 2)  |
| Choice 1, letter in stash | Just to make it clear, I’m the one asking questions. You look confused, though, so I’ll tell you. It was in the barrel outside your shop. Does it ring a bell?Nevusa: *None, I’m afraid. How could you be so sure to look for it in there?*We had a witness, if you need to know. He was very convincing.Nevusa: *That explains it! He must’ve planted it!*He was hardly more than a beggar. The letter was accompanied by a large amount of gold. Even if someone else would have paid him, I can’t imagine that he’d left all that gold alone. So I’d rather believe his version, I’m afraid. Now either you come with me or pay your bounty!continue (triggers choice 2) |
| Choice 2 | Nevusa: *Wait a minute! Can I have a look at that letter?*I guess it can’t hurt. Just make sure you hand it back afterwards. We need to keep the evidence, you know.Nevusa: *I wasn’t about to destroy it! By the Three, this is a recipe for poison! Do you seriously think I’d provide those thugs with that?*Both that and evading Tholer Andas’ liquor tax. Oh, spare me your moral complaints! The evidence is clear enough.Nevusa: *Grr… Alright, alright, I’ll pay. How much?*continue (triggers choice 3) |
| Choice 3, letter in desk | Your bounty is 2000 septims.continue (triggers choice 4) |
| Choice 3, letter in stash | We’ll draw off the 400 gold we found in the barrel, but you’ll still need to pay the 1600 septims that are left of your bounty. |
| Choice 4 | Nevusa: *That’s insane! You’re practically erasing all of my savings! Argh, give me a second… Here you go. Now leave me alone!*Thank you. Sure, I’ll go. Just remember that we’re watching you.Goodbye |
| Letter not found (1; force greet) | Nevusa Falen, our investigation here is done. We didn’t find anything incriminating, so I’m not going to bother you anymore. Goodbye!Nevusa: *Of course you didn’t find anything, but I’m glad this farce is over!*Goodbye |
| Journal 105 (1) | Hello, %PCClass. We found some incriminating evidence of Nevusa’s dealings, so the rumors were true after all. Thank you for asking me to start the investigation, so we could track down this criminal.Player: What happened to Nevusa?She had saved enough to pay her bounty, but we’ll watch her closely from now on. |
| Journal 120 (1) | Hello, %PCClass. Phew! That was quite an investigation! We turned every stone in Nevusa’s shop, but I’m afraid we didn’t find anything interesting. I hope this will put an end to the rumors, though. It’s not good if people are spreading slander about our citizens. |

### Topics

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| **Topic** | **Condition** |  |
| spoiled potion | Beginning of quest | I heard one of the alchemists in town was selling spoiled potions to her customers, but I don’t know much about it.Player choices:1. Nevusa Falen asked me to sneak a spoiled potion into Hemmette’s shop to get her arrested.
2. I see. Perhaps I should ask someone else then.
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|  | Choice 1 | Did she? You’d better bring up this matter with the guard in her shop. Should he resist, just tell him to report to me afterwards. I know these guards; they’re not always happy to work against their patrons. |
|  | Choice 2 | Do as you wish. I’d start with the guards. |
|  | After deceiving Nevusa | The guard told me there was a misunderstanding. I suppose you sorted it out?Player: Nevusa bribed the guard.\*sigh\* I almost expected as much. That’s how things work here, I’m afraid. There’s nothing I can do about it, I’m sorry. |
| Nevusa Falen | Initiating the investigation, letter in desk | Yes, I heard the rumor about her dealings with Camonna Tong. I doubt there’s any truth to it, though.Player choices:1. Isn’t it your job to investigate the truth of the rumor?
2. Investigating the matter could help putting an end to that rumor.
3. Do you think someone is spreading slander about her?
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|  | Choice 1 | I suppose it is. Alright, you convinced me. I’m going to lead the investigation myself, though, so I’d better get going.Goodbye |
|  | Choice 2 | You’re right, that would be the best way to stop this rumor. And should there be any truth to it, we’d catch another criminal instead. I’m going to lead the investigation myself, though, so I’d better get going.Goodbye |
|  | Choice 3 | That’s what I’d expect, but it could very well be that she’s fallen out of favor with her business partner, and they’re trying to put her down. I feel pity for her if that’s the case, but if she’s guilty she should be punished for it. I’m going to lead the investigation myself, though, so I’d better get going.Goodbye |
|  | Initiating the investigation, letter in stash | Just an hour ago, someone entered who claimed to have witnessed Nevusa picking up stuff at a suspicious location. I was just about to go and investigate.Goodbye |

## Guards’ dialogue

### Greetings

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| **Condition (level within brackets)** |  |
| Hemmette arrested (1; force greet) | %PCName here told me you’re still selling spoiled potions! Show me your wares!Hemmette: *What’s this nonsense? Why are you spreading such slander about me, %PCClass? Okay, have a look.*That potion looks suspicious. Can I have a closer look?Hemmette: *This one? Wait, I don’t recognize this… And it’s spoiled! What in Zenithar’s name is this thing doing here?! I never made it, I promise!*It’s in your chest, who else would’ve made it?continue (triggers choice 1) |
| Choice 1, male | Hemmette: *It was %PCName! I’ve seen him sneaking around my shop!*continue (triggers choice 2) |
| Choice 1, female | Hemmette: *It was %PCName! I’ve seen her sneaking around my shop!*continue (triggers choice 2) |
| Choice 2 | Tsk. Blaming the witness, are you? Last time we just gave you a warning, but this time you won’t get away that easily. So you’d better pay up now, or else come with me.Hemmette: *I guess I have no choice \*sigh\*. How much?*One thousand septims should be enough to teach you a lesson.Hemmette: *One thousand! That’s outrageous! I’m just a poor alchemist. I’d have to sell all my belongings to be able to afford that!*Well, you still have the option to serve time in jail. If you’re lucky, the shop my still remain when you’re released.Hemmette: *Fine, I’ll come with you. And if you so much as touch a single potion here while I’m gone, I’ll ask the Imperial magistrate for compensation. As for you, %PCName, if you ever dare visiting my shop again, my potions will be expensive. Very expensive!*Come with me, then.Goodbye |
| Hemmette escaping arrest (1; force greet) | %PCName here told me you’re still selling spoiled potions! Show me your wares!Hemmette: *I have nothing to hide, have a look.*Cheap restore health potion, restore magicka, cure common disease… They look all fine to me. It looks like our witness made a mistake this time, so I’ll leave you to your business.continue (triggers choice 3) |
| Choice 3, caught sneaking into chest, male | Hemmette: *Before you leave, can you arrest this sneak? He tried to sneak that potion into my chest and then report it to you. %PCName, did you really think I’d be so stupid that I wouldn’t look?*Player choices:1. I don’t know what you’re talking about.
2. (Say nothing.)
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| Choice 3, caught sneaking into chest, female | Hemmette: *Before you leave, can you arrest this sneak? She tried to sneak that potion into my chest and then report it to you. %PCName, did you really think I’d be so stupid that I wouldn’t look?*Player choices:1. I don’t know what you’re talking about.
2. (Say nothing.)
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| Choice 3, refused Hemmette’s offer, male | Hemmette: *Before you leave, can you arrest this sneak? He sneaked that potion into my chest just to report it to you. %PCName, did you seriously think I wouldn’t check my belongings after you’d told me what Nevusa sent you to do? I’m really glad you rejected my offer to work for me.*Player choices:1. I don’t know what you’re talking about.
2. (Say nothing.)
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| Choice 3, refused Hemmette’s offer, female | Hemmette: *Before you leave, can you arrest this sneak? She sneaked that potion into my chest just to report it to you. %PCName, did you seriously think I wouldn’t check my belongings after you’d told me what Nevusa sent you to do? I’m really glad you rejected my offer to work for me.*Player choices:1. I don’t know what you’re talking about.
2. (Say nothing.)
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| Choice 3, talking too much, male | Hemmette: *Before you leave, can you arrest this sneak? He sneaked that potion into my chest just to report it to you. %PCName, all your talk about spoiled potions put me on guard. I hope you’ll tell Nevusa about your failure!*Player choices:1. I don’t know what you’re talking about.
2. (Say nothing.)
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| Choice 3, talking too much, female | Hemmette: *Before you leave, can you arrest this sneak? She sneaked that potion into my chest just to report it to you. %PCName, all your talk about spoiled potions put me on guard. I hope you’ll tell Nevusa about your failure!*Player choices:1. I don’t know what you’re talking about.
2. (Say nothing.)
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| Choice 7-8, male | Enough of this slander! Everyone can make a mistake, so you’d better watch your tongue. YOU’RE the one who’ve proven to hide things, not him. And remember, we’re watching you.Goodbye |
| Choice 7-8, female | Enough of this slander! Everyone can make a mistake, so you’d better watch your tongue. YOU’RE the one who’ve proven to hide things, not her. And remember, we’re watching you.Goodbye |
| Arresting Nevusa, convincing guard (1; force greet) | I’m sorry Nevusa, but %PCName here convinced me that this fraud you’re planning is illegal. As I’m charged with upholding the law here, I’ve got no other choice than to arrest you.Nevusa: *That squealing cheat! I should’ve learned to never trust an outlander! I guess you know the entire plan, so I won’t deny it. But perhaps you could be convinced to keep your mouth shut?*Hmm, some extra gold would fit nice into my porch. Give me 250 septims and I’ll promise no word of this will leave these walls.Player: continue (triggers choice 9) |
| Arresting Nevusa, reporting guard (1; force greet) | I’m sorry Nevusa, but %PCName reported that fraud you’re planning to my boss. As I’d rather keep my job here, I’ve got no other choice than to arrest you.Nevusa: *That squealing cheat! I should’ve learned to never trust an outlander! I guess you know the entire plan, so I won’t deny it. But perhaps you could be convinced to make up a story for your boss that’s favorable to me?*Hmm, some extra gold would fit nice into my porch. Give me 250 septims and I’ll promise to convince her there was a misunderstanding. |
| Choice 9 | Nevusa: *It’s a deal. Here’s your gold. As for you, %PCName, you’d better stay out of here! If you prefer that hox-pox that other alchemist is selling, you’re welcome to it. Just don’t dare to show any of it to me, understood?*Thank you. By the way, %PCName, I understand Nevusa doesn’t like what you did, but I’m grateful that you helped me to some extra coins. You deserve a share of it, don’t you think?Player choices:1. Sure, I always have use for gold.
2. Keep it to yourself. I’d rather stay out of this city’s corruption.
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| Choice 10 | Here you are. |
| Choice 11 | Suit yourself. I won’t ask you twice. |

### Topic “spoiled potion”

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| **Condition** |  |
| Guards outside Nevusa’s shop | That Breton alchemist did a real blunder, I can tell. I could tell you all about it if you want.Player choices (condition dependent):1. I have more important things to discuss. Nevusa Falen asked me to sneak a spoiled potion into Hemmette’s shop to get her arrested.
2. Did you know that she’s still selling spoiled potions?
3. Sure, I’d like to hear what happened.
4. I already know that story.
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| Choice 1 | Is she now? Why don’t you go telling that guard in her shop instead? |
| Choice 2 | What? I didn’t think she’d be so stupid. You’re not making this up, are you?Player: No, I saw one among her wares.Then we ought to arrest her. I’m on duty right now, but if you join me inside her shop in an hour, I’ll bring her to justice.Player choices:1. Why do I need to join?
2. I’ll meet you there.
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| Choice 3 | She recently arrived from High Rock. Only a few days after she set up shop, there was a customer who fell ill from one of her potions, so one of my colleagues set out to investigate. Guess what he found? A whole batch of spoiled potions! She claimed they had spoiled during the transport, but I’m not so sure. We’ve been watching her ever since.She seems to be doing fine, though, so I guess others are more convinced. Or perhaps she’s just got a bit more charisma than Nevusa. |
| Choice 4 | No need wasting time telling it then. |
| Choice 5 | I might need your help with the investigation. You were the one seeing the potion after all.Player: Okay, I’ll join you. (Triggers choice 6) |
| Choice 6 | See you. |
| Guard inside Nevusa’s shop, beginning of quest | Nevusa told you about that story, didn’t she? I don’t have anything to add.Player choices:1. She asked me to sneak a spoiled potion into Hemmette’s shop to get her arrested.
2. I think I’ll get going then.
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| Choice 7, first time | So what? I heard exactly what she asked. You agreed to it didn’t you? She has a perfectly valid reason for it, so why don’t you go and do as you were told? |
| Choice 7, first time, having told Tilara | So what? I heard exactly what she asked. You agreed to it didn’t you? She has a perfectly valid reason for it, so why don’t you go and do as you were told?Player: I told Tilara Vanar. She asked you to go to her and report about the matter. (Triggers choice 9) |
| Choice 7, second time | You insist on bringing that up again? No, I won’t act, is that clear? |
| Choice 7, second time, having told Tilara | You insist on bringing that up again? No, I won’t act, is that clear?Player: I told Tilara Vanar. She asked you to go to her and report about the matter. (Triggers choice 9) |
| Choice 7, first time, high disposition | I think she has a valid reason for punishing that alchemist, but I like you, so I’ll let you decide. Should I put her under arrest?Player choices:1. Yes, please do it.
2. I think you should let her be.
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| Choice 7, second time, high disposition | You convinced me, she should be punished. Should I put her under arrest now?Player choices:1. Yes, please do it.
2. On second thought, I think you should let her be.
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| Choice 8 | Farewell. |
| Choice 9 | You told my boss?! You think you’re clever, don’t you? Okay, I’ll go and arrest Nevusa, but not because I wanted to, mind you. |
| Choice 10 | Alright, I’ll do as you command. |
| Choice 11 | As you wish. Let me know if you change your mind. |

## In-game documents

### Note

This establishment is closed until further notice. Its owner has been sentenced to prison for a serious breach in conduct of business, by repeatedly tricking her customers into buying spoiled potions.

Trespassing into this establishment will be considered a crime, until its fate has been decided by the authorities.

Serjo Tholer Andas,

Governor

### Forged letter

Dear Nevusa,

The wares we ordered have safely arrived in Menaan. Here’s the gold we agreed upon. For your next shipment, we need:

30 bluefoot mushrooms

30 violet coprinus

10 bottles of mazte

10 bottles of shein

10 bottles of sujamma

Return the goods within a month, or else there will be consequences. We’ll pay you 400 gold for it, same as last time.

Yours truly,

R.V.