Homework 8

1.

Senses for Sing	Selectional Restrictions
S: (v) sing (deliver by singing) "Sing	[+SONG]
Christmas carols"	
S: (v) sing (produce tones with the voice)	[+HUMAN]
"She was singing while she was cooking";	
"My brother sings very well"	
S: (v) sing (to make melodious sounds) "The	[+ANIMAL]
nightingale was singing"	
S: (v) whistle, sing (make a whining, ringing,	[+OBJECT]
or whistling sound) "the kettle was singing";	
"the bullet sang past his ear"	
S: (v) spill the beans, let the cat out of the	[+INFORMATION]
bag, talk, tattle, blab, peach, babble, sing,	
babble out, blab out (divulge confidential	
information or secrets) "Be carefulhis	
secretary talks"	

Senses for Search	Selectional Restrictions
• <u>S:</u> (v) search , <u>seek</u> , <u>look for</u> (try to locate or discover, or try to establish the existence of) "The police are searching for clues"; "They are searching for the missing man in the entire county"	[+DISCOVERABLE]
• <u>S:</u> (v) search , <u>look</u> (search or seek) "We looked all day and finally found the child in the forest"; "Look elsewhere for the perfect gift!"	[+FINDABLE]
• <u>S:</u> (v) <u>research</u> , <u>search</u> , <u>explore</u> (inquire into) "the students had to research the history of the Second World War for their history project"; "He searched for information on his relatives on the web"; "Scientists are exploring the nature of consciousness"	[+INQUIRABLE]
• <u>S:</u> (v) search (subject to a search) "The police searched the suspect"; "We searched the whole house for the missing keys"	[+SUBJECT]

2.1 I failed to fly on the plane today due to my fear of flying.

Main Verb: Fly		
Main Arguments		
ARG0: I (Subject)	ARG2: Fear (Instrument)	ARG4: N/A
ARG1: The plane (Object) ARG3: N/A ARG5: N/A		
Modifying Arguments: TMP: Today, CAU: Due to my fear		

2.2 Fred's mentor taught him how to paint.

Main Verb: Taught			
Main Arguments			
ARG0: Fred's mentor (Subject)	ARG2: N/A	ARG4: N/A	
ARG1: Him (Patient) ARG3: N/A ARG5: N/A			
Modifying Arguments: N/A			

2.3 She always arrived to school early, for fear of being late.

Main Verb: Arrived		
Main Arguments		
ARG0: She (Subject)	ARG2: Fear (Instrument)	ARG4: To school (End Point)
ARG1: School (Object) ARG3: N/A ARG5: N/A		
Modifying Arguments: DIR: To School, MNR: Early, CAU: Fear of being late.		

2.4 The pilot decided it was time for a career change.

Main Verb: Decided			
Main Arguments			
ARG0: The pilot (Subject)	ARG2: N/A	ARG4: N/A	
ARG1: Career change (Object) ARG3: N/A ARG5: N/A			
Modifying Arguments: N/A			

2.5 I did not drive to school on Monday because of rain.

Main Verb: Drive			
Main Arguments			
ARG0: I (Subject)	ARG2: Rain (Instrument)	ARG4: To school (End Point)	
ARG1: School (Object) ARG3: N/A ARG5: N/A			
Modifying Arguments: DIR: To school, TMP: Monday, CAU: because of rain, NEG: Did not			

3. Thematic roles are natural extensions to the first-order logic representation of arguments because they attempt to capture the semantic commonality between the arguments.