

Introduction

The goal of this task is to find out according to who an event happened. We call it the **source** of the event. For example,

- **CBS News** reported, there were over 1,000 US **deaths** on Wednesday caused by coronavirus infections.

In this example, according to **CBS News** the event **deaths** happened. CBS News reported the event **deaths**. If the event **deaths** didn't happen, CBS News is the one who gave the wrong information.

In most cases, the source is specified. The following are some examples.

- **Article 1:** The situation began when **a neighbor heard** four **gunshots**. A 72-year old man, and his 65-year old wife, both **died**, **the Massachusetts State Police said**.
 - Q1: According to who the event **gunshots** happened?
A1: **A neighbor**. (If there were no gunshots, then the neighbor gave the wrong information or told a lie.)
 - Q2: According to who the event **died** happened?
A2: **The Massachusetts State Police**. (If the couple didn't die, then the Massachusetts State Police gave the wrong information.)

Note the source of an event is not necessary to be the same with the subject of the event.

- **The source of an event is the person/organization who "says" that event happened. The subject of the event is the person who performed the event. For example, *John said Mary ordered a book.* John is the source of the event **ordered**, Mary is the person who performed the event **ordered**. Mary is NOT the source of the event **ordered**. The following are two more examples.**
- **Article 1:** The situation began when **a neighbor heard** four **gunshots**. A 72-year old man, and his 65-year old wife, both **died**, **the Massachusetts State Police said**.
 - Q3: According to who the event **said** happened?
A3: **The author of this article**. (The author "says" the event **said** happened. If the police didn't say anything, then the author of the article gave the wrong information. The Massachusetts State Police is NOT the source of the event **said**.)
 - Q4: According to who the event **heard** happened?
A4: **The author of this article**. (The author "says" the event **heard** happened. If the event heard didn't happen, then the author of the article gave the wrong information. The neighbor is NOT the source of event **heard**.)

In some cases, the source is not specified.

- **Article 2:** I was advised that the TV would be **delivered** on Tuesday.
 - Q5: According to who the event **delivered** happened?
A5: **Not specified**. (The source of the event **delivered** is not specified, the author didn't say who advised her/him.)

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