## **Resolution Exercise Solutions**

- **2.** Consider the following axioms:
  - 1. Every child loves Santa.  $\forall x \ (CHILD(x) \rightarrow LOVES(x,Santa))$

2. Everyone who loves Santa loves any reindeer.

 $\forall x (LOVES(x,Santa) \rightarrow \forall y (REINDEER(y) \rightarrow LOVES(x,y)))$ 

3. Rudolph is a reindeer, and Rudolph has a red nose. *REINDEER*(*Rudolph*) ∧ *REDNOSE*(*Rudolph*)

4. Anything which has a red nose is weird or is a clown.

 $\forall x (REDNOSE(x) \rightarrow WEIRD(x) \lor CLOWN(x))$ 

5. No reindeer is a clown.

 $\neg \exists x (REINDEER(x) \land CLOWN(x))$ 

6. Scrooge does not love anything which is weird.

 $\forall x (WEIRD(x) \rightarrow \neg LOVES(Scrooge,x))$ 

7. (Conclusion) Scrooge is not a child.

¬ CHILD(Scrooge)

- **3.** Consider the following axioms:
  - 1. Anyone who buys carrots by the bushel owns either a rabbit or a grocery store.

 $\forall x (BUY(x) \rightarrow \exists y (OWNS(x,y) \land (RABBIT(y) \lor GROCERY(y))))$ 

2. Every dog chases some rabbit.

 $\forall x (DOG(x) \rightarrow \exists y (RABBIT(y) \land CHASE(x,y)))$ 

3. Mary buys carrots by the bushel.

BUY(Mary)

4. Anyone who owns a rabbit hates anything that chases any rabbit.

 $\forall x \forall y (OWNS(x,y) \land RABBIT(y) \rightarrow \forall z \forall w (RABBIT(w) \land CHASE(z,w) \rightarrow HATES(x,z)))$ 

5. John owns a dog.  $\exists x (DOG(x) \land OWNS(John,x))$ 

6. Someone who hates something owned by another person will not date that person.

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\forall x \forall y \forall z (OWNS(y,z) \land HATES(x,z) \rightarrow \neg DATE(x,y))
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7. (Conclusion) If Mary does not own a grocery store, she will not date John.

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(( \neg \exists x (GROCERY(x) \land OWN(Mary,x))) \rightarrow \neg DATE(Mary,John))
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- **4.** Consider the following axioms:
  - 1. Every Austinite who is not conservative loves some armadillo.

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\forall x (AUSTINITE(x) \land \neg CONSERVATIVE(x) \rightarrow \exists y (ARMADILLO(y) \land LOVES(x,y)))
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2. Anyone who wears maroon-and-white shirts is an Aggie.

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\forall x (WEARS(x) \rightarrow AGGIE(x))
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3. Every Aggie loves every dog.

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\forall x (AGGIE(x) \rightarrow \forall y (DOG(y) \rightarrow LOVES(x,y)))
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4. Nobody who loves every dog loves any armadillo.

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\neg \exists x ((\forall y (DOG(y) \rightarrow LOVES(x,y))) \land \exists z (ARMADILLO(z) \land LOVES(x,z)))
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5. Clem is an Austinite, and Clem wears maroon-and-white shirts.

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AUSTINITE(Clem) ∧ WEARS(Clem)
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6. (Conclusion) Is there a conservative Austinite?

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\exists x (AUSTINITE(x) \land CONSERVATIVE(x))
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( ( (not (Austinite x)) (Conservative x) (Armadillo (f x)) )
  ( (not (Austinite x)) (Conservative x) (Loves x (f x)) )
  ( (not (Wears x)) (Aggie x) )
  ( (not (Aggie x)) (not (Dog y)) (Loves x y) )
  ( (Dog (g x)) (not (Armadillo z)) (not (Loves x z)) )
  ( (not (Loves x (g x))) (not (Armadillo z)) (not (Loves x z)) )
  ( (Austinite (Clem)) )
  ( (Wears (Clem)) )
  ( (not (Conservative x)) (not (Austinite x)) )
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**5.** Consider the following axioms:

1. Anyone whom Mary loves is a football star.

$$\forall x (LOVES(Mary,x) \rightarrow STAR(x))$$

2. Any student who does not pass does not play.

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\forall x (STUDENT(x) \land \neg PASS(x) \rightarrow \neg PLAY(x))
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3. John is a student.

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STUDENT(John)
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4. Any student who does not study does not pass.

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\forall x (STUDENT(x) \land \neg STUDY(x) \rightarrow \neg PASS(x))
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5. Anyone who does not play is not a football star.

$$\forall x (\neg PLAY(x) \rightarrow \neg STAR(x))$$

6. (Conclusion) If John does not study, then Mary does not love John.

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\neg STUDY(John) \rightarrow \neg LOVES(Mary,John)
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- **6.** Consider the following axioms:
  - 1. Every coyote chases some roadrunner.

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\forall \ x \ (COYOTE(x) \rightarrow \exists \ y \ (RR(y) \land CHASE(x,y)))
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2. Every roadrunner who says `beep-beep" is smart.

$$\forall x (RR(x) \land BEEP(x) \rightarrow SMART(x))$$

3. No coyote catches any smart roadrunner.

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\neg \exists x \exists y (COYOTE(x) \land RR(y) \land SMART(y) \land CATCH(x,y))
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4. Any coyote who chases some roadrunner but does not catch it is frustrated.

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\forall x \ (COYOTE(x) \land \exists y \ (RR(y) \land CHASE(x,y) \land \neg CATCH(x,y)) \rightarrow FRUSTRATED(x))
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5. (Conclusion) If all roadrunners say "beep-beep", then all coyotes are frustrated.

$$(\forall x (RR(x) \rightarrow BEEP(x)) \rightarrow (\forall y (COYOTE(y) \rightarrow FRUSTRATED(y)))$$

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( (not (RR x)) (Beep x) )
( (Coyote (a)) )
( (not (Frustrated (a))) ) )
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## 7. Consider the following axioms:

- 1. Anyone who rides any Harley is a rough character.  $\forall x \ ((\exists y \ (HARLEY(y) \land RIDES(x,y))) \rightarrow ROUGH(x))$
- 2. Every biker rides [something that is] either a Harley or a BMW.  $\forall x \ (BIKER(x) \rightarrow \exists y \ ((HARLEY(y) \lor BMW(y)) \land RIDES(x,y)))$
- 3. Anyone who rides any BMW is a yuppie.  $\forall x \forall y \ (RIDES(x,y) \land BMW(y) \rightarrow YUPPIE(x))$
- 4. Every yuppie is a lawyer.  $\forall x \ (YUPPIE(x) \rightarrow LAWYER(x))$
- 5. Any nice girl does not date anyone who is a rough character.  $\forall x \forall y \ (NICE(x) \land ROUGH(y) \rightarrow \neg DATE(x,y))$
- 6. Mary is a nice girl, and John is a biker. *NICE(Mary)* ∧ *BIKER(John)*
- 7. (Conclusion) If John is not a lawyer, then Mary does not date John.  $\neg LAWYER(John) \rightarrow \neg DATE(Mary,John)$

## **8.** Consider the following axioms:

- 1. Every child loves anyone who gives the child any present.  $\forall x \forall y \forall z \ (CHILD(x) \land PRESENT(y) \land GIVE(z,y,x) \rightarrow LOVES(x,z)$
- 2. Every child will be given some present by Santa if Santa can travel on Christmas eve.  $TRAVEL(Santa, Christmas) \rightarrow \forall \ x \ (CHILD(x) \rightarrow \exists \ y \ (PRESENT(y) \land GIVE(Santa, y, x)))$
- 3. It is foggy on Christmas eve. *FOGGY(Christmas)*
- 4. Anytime it is foggy, anyone can travel if he has some source of light.  $\forall x \forall t \ (FOGGY(t) \rightarrow (\exists y \ (LIGHT(y) \land HAS(x,y)) \rightarrow TRAVEL(x,t)))$

5. Any reindeer with a red nose is a source of light.

$$\forall x (RNR(x) \rightarrow LIGHT(x))$$

6. (Conclusion) If Santa has some reindeer with a red nose, then every child loves Santa.

$$(\exists x (RNR(x) \land HAS(Santa,x))) \rightarrow \forall y (CHILD(y) \rightarrow LOVES(y,Santa))$$

- **9.** Consider the following axioms:
  - 1. Every investor bought [something that is] stocks or bonds.

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\forall x (INVESTOR(x) \rightarrow \exists y ((STOCK(y) \lor BOND(y)) \land BUY(x,y)))
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2. If the Dow-Jones Average crashes, then all stocks that are not gold stocks fall.

$$DJCRASH \rightarrow \forall x ((STOCK(x) \land \neg GOLD(x)) \rightarrow FALL(x))$$

3. If the T-Bill interest rate rises, then all bonds fall.

$$TBRISE \rightarrow \forall x (BOND(x) \rightarrow FALL(x))$$

4. Every investor who bought something that falls is not happy.

$$\forall x \forall y (INVESTOR(x) \land BUY(x,y) \land FALL(y) \& rarrm; \neg HAPPY(x))$$

5. (Conclusion) If the Dow-Jones Average crashes and the T-Bill interest rate rises, then any investor who is happy bought some gold stock.

$$(DJCRASH \land TBRISE) \rightarrow \forall \ x \ (INVESTOR(x) \land HAPPY(x) \rightarrow \exists \ y \ (GOLD(y) \land BUY(x,y)))$$

- **10.** Consider the following axioms:
  - 1. Every child loves every candy.

$$\forall x \forall y (CHILD(x) \land CANDY(y) \rightarrow LOVES(x,y))$$

2. Anyone who loves some candy is not a nutrition fanatic.

$$\forall x ((\exists y (CANDY(y) \land LOVES(x,y))) \rightarrow \neg FANATIC(x))$$

3. Anyone who eats any pumpkin is a nutrition fanatic.

$$\forall x ((\exists y (PUMPKIN(y) \land EAT(x,y))) \rightarrow FANATIC(x))$$

4. Anyone who buys any pumpkin either carves it or eats it.

$$\forall x \forall y (PUMPKIN(y) \land BUY(x,y) \rightarrow CARVE(x,y) \lor EAT(x,y))$$

5. John buys a pumpkin.

$$\exists x (PUMPKIN(x) \land BUY(John,x))$$

6. Lifesavers is a candy. *CANDY(Lifesavers)* 

7. (Conclusion) If John is a child, then John carves some pumpkin.  $CHILD(John) \rightarrow \exists \ x \ (PUMPKIN(x) \land CARVE(John,x))$ 

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