

HW

Linguistic ambiguity has upsides and downsides.

One upside is that in ambiguous languages can be more concise, since strings can be reused to mean multiple things.

One downside is that we can never be fully certain what people are telling us.

Example: "I climbed the tree with the red berries."
could mean either of the following:



or



I climbed the tree with the red berries


I climbed the tree with the red berries

Typically we use probability and world knowledge to resolve ambiguities, by observing (e.g.) that berries are usually not sentient.

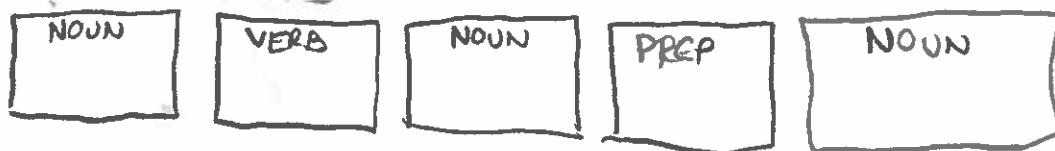
Observe however that small adjustments to the sentence can change our preferred analysis:

I climbed the tree with the red berries

I climbed the tree with my dad

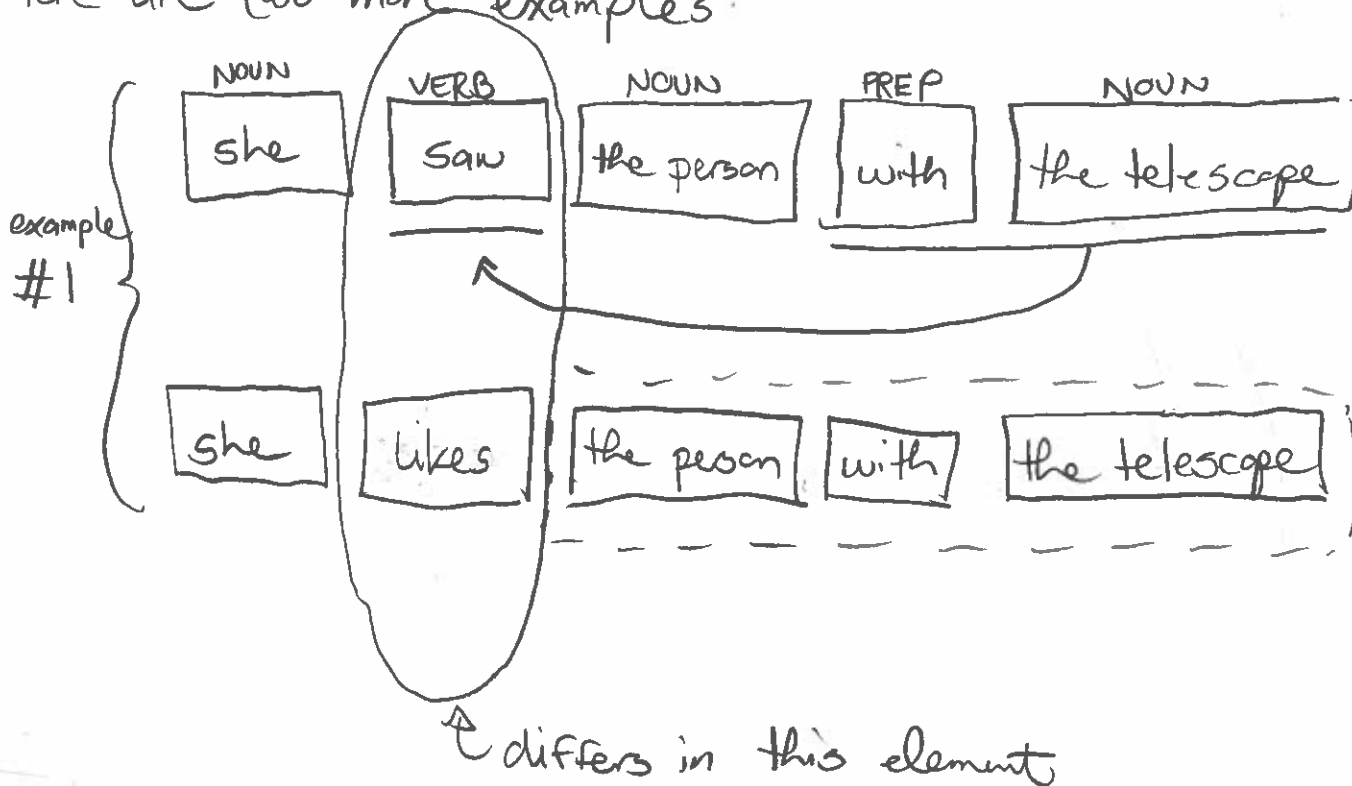


Come up with ten pairs of sentences of the form:

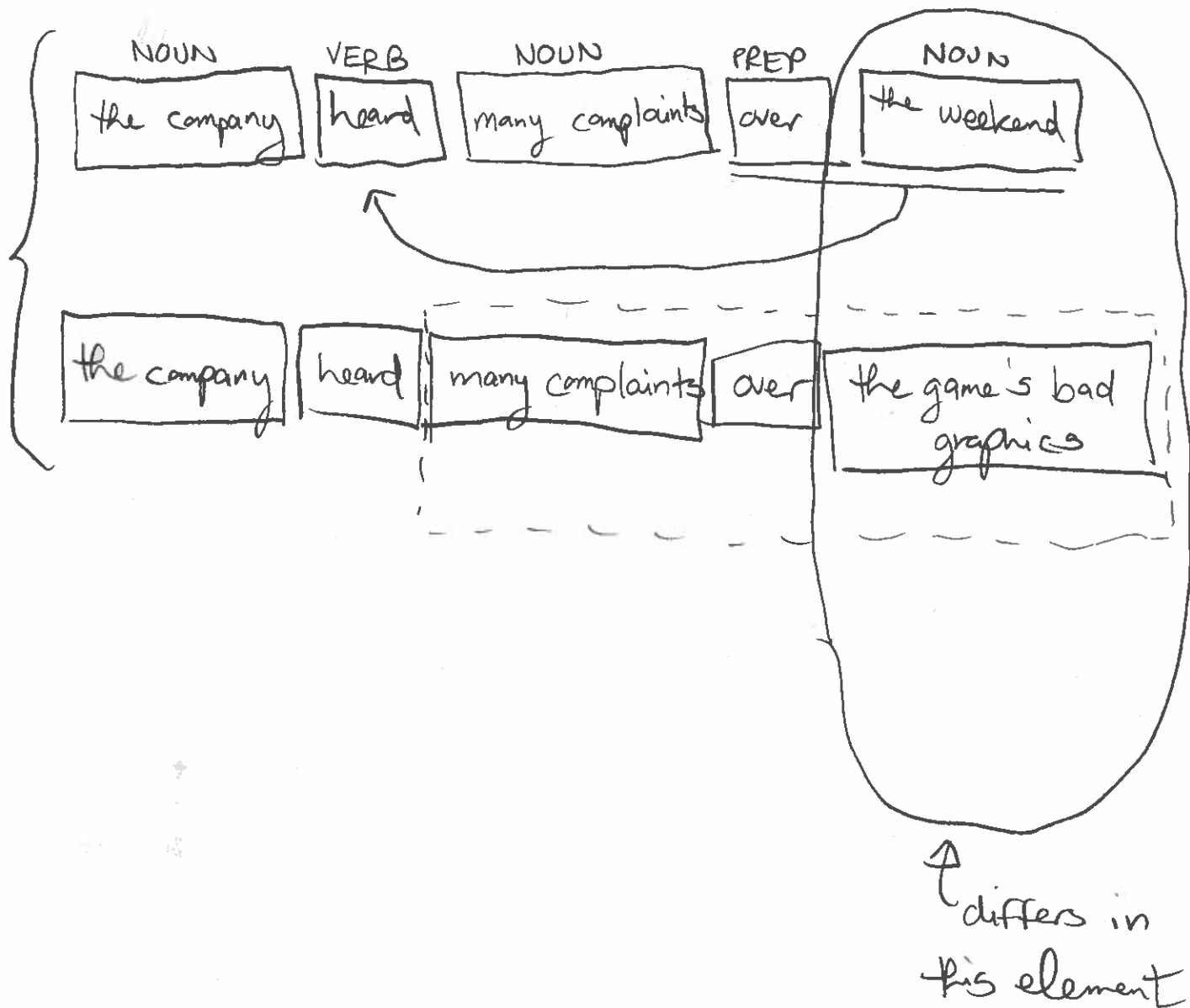


such that (a) the pairs differ only in one element (of the five)
(b) the preferred analyses are different.

Here are two more examples:



example
#2



Now make 10 pairs of your own! Do not use any of the verbs/nouns from the given examples. If you collaborate, each person must come up with 10 unique pairs of their own.