Symbolizing in Sentential Logic

Unit 3

Identify the Logical Connectives by their common English words or phrases

Negation ~

Conditional →

And ∧

Or ∨

Biconditional ↔

and their Stylistic Variants

Be careful with the conditional

Antecedent vs Consequent

Necessary and Sufficient

'Only'

4 Common Phrases

Neither... nor

Not Both

Exclusive or

Unless

Always look for the main connective and put it down first

Say the parts of the sentence to yourself out loud

Don't expect to get it right the first time every time

Learn to read your logic back to yourself in English and see if it matches up

Numerical Quantities

None, Exactly, At Least, At Most

These are all a function of how we combine

∧ with ∨

We can also use ~ to make things easier

Translation

Going from symbols to English

Do not write things in Logicese

Use idiomatic English



Use translation when you symbolize

Make sure what you're writing is actually what the English says

Practice!

