#### **General Instructions**

- Attempt HITs if you are a native speaker of English or a near-native speaker who can comfortably comprehend summary of NBA basketball games written in English.
- We are happy to receive feedback and improve this job accordingly. Feel free to send your comments to: r.puduppully [at] sms [dot] ed [dot] ac [dot] uk.
- Your responses are **confidential**. Any publications based on these will not include your specific responses, but rather aggregate information from many individuals. We will not ask any information that can be used to identify who you are.

# Evaluate Sports Summaries of (NBA) basketball games

Your task it to read two short texts which have been produced by different automatic systems. These systems typically take a large table as input which contains statistics of a basketball game and produce a document which summarizes the table in natural langauge (e.g., talks about what happened in the game, who scored, who won and so on). Please read the two summaries carefully and judge how good each is according to the following criterion:

• Coherence: How coherent is the summary? How natural is the ordering of the facts? The summary should be well structured and well organized and have a natural ordering of the facts.

This task contains validation instances (for which answers are known) that will be used for an automatic quality assessment of submissions. Therefore, please read the summaries carefully.

# Example

### **Summaries**

(In this example, we show two summaries to give you an idea of how to judge them based on Coherence.)

A: The Golden State Warriors (43 - 7) defeated the Los Angeles Clippers (31 - 19) 133 - 120 on Saturday. The Warriors came into this game as one of the best defenses in the NBA this season, but they were able to prevail with a huge road win. In fact, Golden State shot 53 percent from the field and 41 percent from three - point range. Golden State shot 53 percent from the field and 41 percent from three - point range. The Warriors also dominated the assist - to - turnover ratio, recording 38 assists to 11 turnovers, while the Clippers committed 15 turnovers to just 15 assists. The Warriors (31 - 19) had to play this game extremely shorthanded and they did n't disappoint. Stephen Curry carried the load, as he tallied 29 points, three rebounds and 11 assists on 11 - of - 23 shooting. Kevin Durant was the only other starter in double figures, as he dropped 26 points on 8 - of - 18 shooting. Klay Thompson finished with 21 points and seven rebounds. Draymond Green was the only other player in double figures, as he totaled 10 points, seven rebounds and two assists. The Clippers (31 - 19) were led by Blake Griffin, who tallied 31 points, eight rebounds and three steals in the defeat. Jamal Crawford also had a nice game off the bench, as he scored 21 points off the bench. On deck for Golden State is a road matchup against the Los Angeles Lakers on Thursday .

B: The Golden State Warriors defeated the Los Angeles Clippers, 133 - 120, at Staples Center on Wednesday. The Warriors (43 - 7) came into this game as a sizable favorite and they showed why in this clincher. Golden State (31 - 19) came into this game as a huge favorite and they showed some resiliency here with this win. Blake Griffin was the high - point man, as he tallied 31 points, eight rebounds, two assists, three steals and one block on 10 - of - 19 shooting. Klay Thompson finished with 21 points, seven rebounds and two assists. Austin Rivers was the only other starter in double figures, as he tallied 18 points, four rebounds and six assists on 7 - of - 15 shooting. Jamal Crawford was huge off the bench, providing 21 points (i) on 7 - of - 11 shooting off the bench. Blake Griffin led the team in scoring, dropping 31 points on 10 - of - 19 shooting. Kevin Durant finished with 26 points, eight rebounds and 10 assists. Jamal Crawford was huge off the bench, as he provided 21 points and four assists. DeAndre Jordan recorded a double - double, totaling 13 points and eight rebounds. Jamal Crawford was huge off the bench, dropping 21 points on 7 - of - 11 shooting, including 5 - of - 8 from three - point range. Austin Rivers led the Clippers in scoring with 18 points on 7 - of - 15 from the field. (ii)

### **Answers**

#### Coherence

Best: A Worst: B

## Analysis

Coherence. Summary A contains the details of better scoring players of the teams in the game in a coherent manner. The highlighted sentences in blue are one example of natural ordering of facts in the summary. In Summary B, in contrast, the facts are ordered in a less natural way such as sentences in (i) and (ii). Thus, Summary A is best.