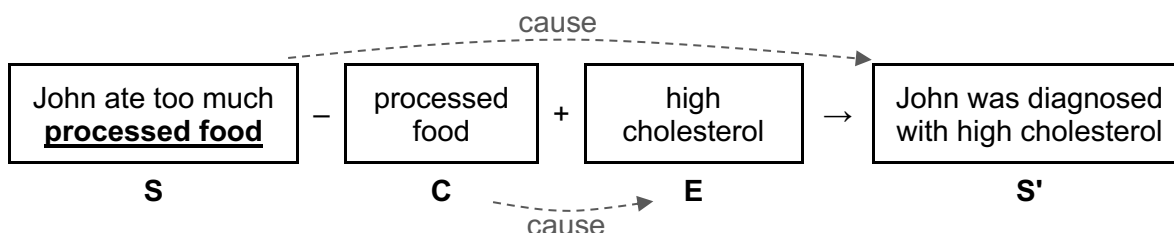


Annotation Manual (2020-12-21)

SUMMARY



You will be given

- a sentence **S** with a certain word **C** being highlighted.
- another word **E** that is likely to result from **C**.

The task is to modify **S** by removing **C** and adding **E** to make a new sentence **S'** that describes a plausible scenario or fact that is likely caused by **S**.

DETAILS

Example

S: Libya's case against Britain and the US concerns the **dispute** over their demand for extradition of Libyans charged with blowing up a Pan Am jet over Lockerbie in 1988.

C: dispute

E: war

S': Libya starts a war against Britain and the US for their unmet demand for extradition of Libyans charged with blowing up a Pan Am jet over Lockerbie in 1988.

Strength: 0: Impossible 1: Weak 2: Modest 3: Strong

- Read sentence **S** and consider the causal relationship between two words **C** and **E**.
- **Modify S by deleting C and using E.** The resulting **S'** should be a plausible scenario or fact that naturally derives from **S** based on the causal relationship between C and E.
 - **TIP:** It greatly helps make and validate **S'** to read out loud: "**S**. Since **C** may cause **E**, **S'**" by replacing **S**, **C**, **E**, and **S'** accordingly.

- **CAUTION:** Modify **S** only minimally. Preserve and include the original content of **S** as much as possible. Similarly, add new information as little as possible.
- **CAUTION:** **S'** only needs to be a plausible scenario; it does not have to be factually correct. Avoid hedging (e.g., “may”, “can”).
- **CAUTION:** Stick with the tense in the original sentence. Avoid future tense (“will”, “would”) unless the original sentence uses it.
- Write down your **S'**.
- Judge how strongly **S** is likely to cause **S'**.
 - **0 Impossible:** Modification is impossible.*
 - **1 Weak:** **S** could cause **S'** but unlikely (say, 0–30% chance).
 - **2 Modest:** **S** may cause **S'** with a fair chance (say, 30–70% chance).
 - **3 Strong:** **S** is quite likely to cause **S'** (say, 70–100% chance).

*You may find that some sentences (about 30%) are difficult to modify at all, possibly due to the context, the vagueness of **C/E**, etc. In this case, you can leave **S'** blank, check “0 Impossible”, and move on. However, we do not allow intentionally cherry-picking easy sentences only. Any skeptical behavior will be monitored and reported to AMT.

INCENTIVE

Your incentive will be based on (i) the fluency of **S'**, (ii) the scores **S'** gets from other evaluators, and (iii) how well your own score matches their scores.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- **Do not modify E.** Use **E** as is. The only exception is to add “(e)s” or “(e)d” at the end to make it a plural noun, or a 3rd person singular or past tense verb. You can use **E** as any part of speech (e.g., noun, verb) as long as no more edit is done.
 - E.g., “type” → “types/typed” is allowed, but “transformation” → “transform” is not.
- **Do not add an expression that has merely the same meaning as C.** The direct meaning of **C** should be deleted.
- **Use diverse expressions.** Avoid using the same words or patterns repeatedly across tasks.
- **Do not change C if it is part of a proper noun.** Mark “0 Impossible” and move on.
 - E.g., in the sentence “The Black Tom explosion was ...”, “explosion” cannot be changed because “Black Tom explosion” as a whole is the name of an event.

MORE EXAMPLES

Modified parts are underlined in **S'**.

S: Ya khayl Allah) is 2012 Moroccan drama film about the 2003 Casablanca **bombings**.
C: bombing
E: casualty

S': Ya khayl Allah) is 2012 Moroccan drama film about the casualty that happened in Casablanca in 2003.

Strength:

0: Impossible	1: Weak	2: Modest	3: Strong
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S: Some people like to write, while others prefer **typing**.
C: type
E: carpal tunnel syndrome

S': Some people like to write, while others would rather put up with carpal tunnel syndrome.

Strength:

0: Impossible	1: Weak	2: Modest	3: Strong
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S: Another, even more intense **hurricane** in pre-Columbian times (sometime between 1278 and 1438) left evidence that was detected in southern New Jersey by paleotempestological research.
C: hurricane
E: death

S': Another, even more death of people and livestock in pre-Columbian times (sometime between 1278 and 1438) left evidence that was detected in southern New Jersey by paleotempestological research.

Strength:

0: Impossible	1: Weak	2: Modest	3: Strong
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S: Symptoms of **dehydration** are easily mistaken for hunger.

C: dehydration

E: hangover

S': Symptoms of hangover are easily mistaken for hunger.

Strength: 0: Impossible 1: Weak 2: Modest 3: Strong

S: In general, most free anti-virus programs are intended for use with **windows** operating systems; however, new versions are updated for the latest windows versions.

C: windows

E: problem

S': In general, most free anti-virus programs have problems with operating systems; however, new versions are updated for the latest windows versions.

Strength: 0: Impossible 1: Weak 2: Modest 3: Strong

S: Citrix Systems acquired ExpertCity in 2004 and maintained the GoToMyPC brand and **services**.

C: service

E: death

S':

Strength: 0: Impossible 1: Weak 2: Modest 3: Strong

S: For your first few vaults, you should **remove** the bar completely to give you the most space to learn the movements of vaulting.

C: remove

E: death

S':

Strength:

0: Impossible	1: Weak	2: Modest	3: Strong
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