

Prolog programs are written using a syntax that is similar to natural language. Here are a couple of examples:

1. Food and Meals:

Consider the following facts and rules related to food and meals:

Facts

```
food(burger).           % Burger is a food.
food(sandwich).         % Sandwich is a food.
food(pizza).            % Pizza is a food.
lunch(sandwich).        % Sandwich is a lunch.
dinner(pizza).          % Pizza is a dinner.
```

Rules

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meal(X) :- food(X).      % Every food is a meal.
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Queries

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?- food(pizza).          % Is pizza a food?
?- meal(X), lunch(X).    % Which food is both a meal and
                           lunch?
?- dinner(sandwich).     % Is sandwich a dinner?
```

Explanation:

- The facts define relationships between foods, lunches, and dinners.
- The rule states that anything that is a food is also a meal.
- The queries ask questions about food and meals.

 true. X = sandwich. false.

2. Student-Professor Relations:

Let's look at a student-professor relation example:

Facts

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studies(charlie, csc135).
studies(olivia, csc135).
studies(jack, csc131).
studies(arthur, csc134).
teaches(kirke, csc135).
teaches(collins, csc131).
teaches(collins, csc171).
teaches(juniper, csc134).
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Rules

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professor(X, Y) :- teaches(X, C), studies(Y, C).
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Queries

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?- studies(charlie, What).      % What does Charlie study?  
?- professor(kirke, Students). % Who are the students of  
Professor Kirke?
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Explanation:

- The facts establish student-professor relationships.
- The rule defines that X is a professor of Y if X teaches a course C and Y studies the same course.
- The queries inquire about Charlie's studies and Professor Kirke's students.

What = csc135

Students = Charlie ; Students = olivia.