

LIGN101 Chapter 6.5: 7, 9, 18, 28

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1 Chapter 6.5 Homework

- 7 The expression "Student" refers to the worldly set of all *students* in the world, meaning it isn't possible for any given individual student to be the sole referent of "Student". For instance:

The student went to lecture today.

This expression does not refer to any specific "student".

- 9 (a) hammer: tool
(b) T-shirt: clothing
(c) pink: colour
(d) fish: edible animals
- 18 a Not a proposition. A *woman* cannot be "true".
b Not a proposition. To be *like Bob* represents a truth value, but no subject is given.
c Not a proposition. Some entity will either be or not be the *smallest country in the world*, but no subject is given.
d It is a proposition. *Sally makes people who wonder who would be at the party* true or false.
e It is a proposition. *Bob makes the group of people who hate polly* true or false.
f Not a proposition. Accidentally on its own does not describe a truth value.
g It is a proposition. *Sally makes the group of people who like* true or false.
h Not a proposition. There is no subject given.
i It is a proposition. Sally either makes *people who like to sleep* true or false.
j Not a proposition. There is no truth value associated.

- 28 a The compositional meaning is to literally release some instance of the animal cat from some instance of the animal bag. The idiomatic meaning is to provide the answer to some secret.
- b The compositional meaning is to literally lift a finger from some surface. The idiomatic meaning is to help out.
- c The compositional meaning is the liquid, water, being under some physical bridge. The idiomatic meaning refers to some event that has passed and isn't worth talking about.
- d The compositional meaning is that any picture is literally equal to one thousand words. The idiomatic meaning is that in certain scenarios, pictures can describe situations better than words.
- e The compositional meaning describes the state of literally having a chip on one's shoulder. The idiomatic meaning is to have some grudge that readily provokes dispute.
- f The compositional meaning describes the action of picking up some object tab. The idiomatic meaning describes paying for somebody's bill.