

QUANTIFIED STATEMENTS

Why

We want symbols for talking about some object of a set or all objets of a set.

Definition

ßExistential Quantifier

Consider the symbol \exists . We agree that it means "there exists an object". We write $\exists a \in A$. We read this as "there exists an object in the set denoted by A, and denote that very same object by a". We call \exists the existential quantifier.

&Universal Quantifier

Consider the symbol \forall . We agree that it means "for every object". We write $\forall a \in A$. We read this as "for every object in the set denoted by A, and denote one such object by a".

