

## 1 Syntax: constituents

**Use the four constituency tests from the slides to answer the following questions about each sentence.**

- (1) The happy student lives in New Brunswick
  - a. is "in New Brunswick" a constituent?
  - b. is "the happy" a constituent?
  - c. is "student lives" a constituent?
  
- (2) The tragedy upset the entire family.
  - a. is "the tragedy" a constituent?
  
- (3) They hid in the cave.
  - a. is "in the cave" a constituent?
  
- (4) The computer was very expensive.
  - a. is "computer was very" a constituent?

- (5) The geese swam across the lake.  
a. is "swam across" a constituent?
- (6) Mary gave a book to her sister.  
a. is "a book to her sister" a constituent?
- (7) Linda read a book about geology.  
a. is "a book about geology" a constituent?