Narrative test for evidentiality and the perfect in Andi Samira Verhees (NRU HSE Moscow) - jh.verhees@gmail.com

## 1. Unwitnessed events

1. Мне рассказывали, что однажды моя бабушка шла по лесу, собирала ягоды.

I was told that one time my grandmather was walking through the forest and gathering berries.

2. Долго она ходила и собирала.

She was walking and gathering for a long time.

3. В какой-то момент она очень устала.

At some point, she became very tired.

4. Она села на <u>ствол<sup>1</sup></u> дерева.

She sat down on the stem of a tree.

5. Как будто из ничего, появилась змея.

As if out of nowhere (suddenly), a snake appeared.

6. Бабушка испугалась.

Grandmother was startled.

7. Она (нечаянно) наступила на змею.

She (accidentally) stepped on the snake.

<sup>1</sup> This is a mistake I made in the first version of the test, which I did not notice right away, because speakers translated it to "branch" or "fallen tree" without too much trouble. Later I replaced it with the word *пенёк* ('treetrunk').

8. Змея укусила ее в ногу.

The snake bit her leg.

9. Она [бабушка] взяла камень, и бросила [его] на змею.

*She took a rock and threw it at the snake.* 

10.Та [змея] умерла.

The snake died.

## 2. Witnessed events

1. Несколько лет назад мы с братом шли по лесу и собирали ягоды.

A few years ago, me and my brother were walking through the forest gathering berries.

2. Долго мы ходили и собирали.

We were walking and gathering for a very long time.

3. В какой-то момент мы очень устали.

At some point, we became very tired.

4. Мы сели на землю под деревом.

We sat down [on the ground] under a tree.

5. Как будто из ничего, появилась змея.

As if out of nowhere (suddenly) a snake appeared.

6. Мы испугались.

We were startled.

7. Брат нечаянно наступил на нее.

My brother accidentally stepped on the snake.

8. Змея укусила его в ногу.

The snake bit him in the leg.

9. Он взял камень, и бросил его на змею.

He took a rock, and threw it at the snake.

10.3мея умерла.

The snake died.