Relative clause subextraction in English

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1 Introduction

Relative clauses are known as one of the standard strong islands (Ross 1967), but certain languages have been shown to allow movement out of relative clauses in particular syntactic-semantic environments, especially Mainland Scandinavian languages, including Swedish (Allwood 1982; Engdahl 1997; Kush and Lindahl 2011; Lindahl 2015), Danish (Erteschik-Shir 1973; Erteschik-Shir and Lappin 1979), and Norwegian (Taraldsen 1982). Many of these authors observe that extraction from relative clauses is facilitated in existential environments, in which the existence of the DP containing the relative clause is being asserted.

According to Allwood (1982), extraction from relative clauses is so common that traditional Swedish grammarians have given it a name—satsflätor ‘sentence braid’—and warned against using it in written language. Sichel (2018) also reports that Hebrew tolerates extraction from relative clauses in existential and existential-like environments, and in a squib, Cinque (2010) observes that Italian and other Romance languages appear to tolerate extraction from relative clauses in these environments, as well. Characteristic examples from each of these languages are shown in (1), adapted from the source cited with each example.

(1) a. **Swedish**
   De blommorna känner jag en man som säljer.
   those flowers know I a man that sells
   ‘[Those flowers], I know a man that sells $t_1$.’
   (Allwood 1982, p. 24)

b. **Danish**
   Det er der mange der kan lide.
   ‘[That], there are many people who like $t_1$.’
   (Erteschik-Shir and Lappin 1979, p. 55)

c. **Norwegian**
   Rødsprit slipper vi ingen inn som har drukket $t_1$.
   red.spirit let we nobody in that has drunk
   ‘Red spirit, we let nobody in that has drunk (it).’
   (Taraldsen 1982, p. 206)

d. **Hebrew**
   al lexem šaxor, ani makira rak [gvina levana axat] $t_1$ še-effšar
   on bread black I know only cheese white one that-possible
   limroax $t_1$ $t_2$.
   to.spread
   ‘On black bread, I know only one white cheese that can be spread.’
   (Sichel 2018, p. 336)

e. **Italian**
   …+Ida, di cui non c’è nessuno che sia mai stato innamorato,
   ‘Ida, whom there is nobody that was ever in love with, …’
   (Cinque 2010, p. 83)
Research on extraction from relative clauses (henceforth, RC subextraction) in English is somewhat limited, and much of the research on languages that selectively allow RC subextraction either implicitly or overtly assumes that English is fundamentally different, banning RC subextraction in all environments (although Erteschik-Shir and Lappin [1979] p. 58 notably observe that the English extraction patterns seem to be similar to Danish). There is some reason to treat the assumption that English is different with skepticism, though. First of all, there is some discussion in the published literature on cases of RC subextraction in English that seem unusually acceptable (2).

(2)  
a. This is the child who there is nobody who is willing to accept.  
(Kuno 1976, (1–20a))  
b. Then you look at what happens in languages that you know and languages that you have a friend who knows.  
(McCawley 1981, (15a))  
c. This is the one that Bob Wall was the only person who hadn’t read.  
(McCawley 1981, (15b))  
d. That’s one trick that I’ve known a lot of people who’ve been taken in by.  
(Chung and McCloskey 1983, (9a))  
e. Isn’t that the song that Paul and Stevie were the only ones who wanted to record?  
(Chung and McCloskey 1983, (9b))  
f. This is a paper that we really need to find someone who understands.  
(Chung and McCloskey 1983, (9c))

Second, Kush et al. (2013) present experimental evidence which suggests that the environments in which RC subextraction is acceptable in Swedish also attenuate island effects in English. In particular, they show that when a relative clause appears in the pivot of an existential (3a), in the object position of a verb of perception (3b), or in the object position of the verb ‘know’ (3c), acceptability ratings significantly increase relative to sentences that are otherwise identical but have the predicate ‘meet’ (3d). Some of these environments are found in the examples cited in (2).

(3)  
a. ? That was the bill that there were many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.  
b. ? That was the bill that he saw many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.  
c. ? That was the bill that he knew many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.  
d. * That was the bill that he met many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.

(3)  
a. ? That was the bill that there were many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.  
b. ? That was the bill that he saw many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.  
c. ? That was the bill that he knew many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.  
d. * That was the bill that he met many senators who supported $t_1$ in the congress.  
(adapted from Kush et al. 2013, pp. 260–264)

The first purpose of this paper is to present experimental evidence that island effects are substantially reduced in English when the relative clause is within the pivot of an existential (4a) or a non-verbal predicate nominal (4b), relative to transitive object environments (4c). The research presented here thus extends the findings of Kush et al. (2013) and identifies another environment (predicate nominals) that increases relative clause transparency to extraction—one that is known to increase transparency to extraction at least in Hebrew (Sichel 2018, p. 357).
Some of the research on both RC subextraction and extraction from DP generally suggests that the definiteness of the DP out of which extraction occurs is one of the main factors affecting the DP’s transparency to extraction, such that indefinite DPs are more transparent, and definite DPs are not (for discussion, see Kush et al. 2013, pp. 245–246, as well as Sichel 2018, pp. 354–361; for an account of DP transparency based on definiteness, see Jiménez Fernández 2009). Based on experimental evidence, this paper argues against DP definiteness as one of the main factors affecting DP transparency. In line with Sichel (2018), it is argued that the apparent correlation between DP transparency and indefiniteness is due to the presuppositionality of the DP referent, which is determined largely by the syntactic-semantic environment of that DP. Whether or not a DP referent is presupposed is loosely related to the definiteness of the determiner used, but the notions are independent, such that an indefinite DP that is presupposed is not transparent to extraction, and a definite DP that is non-presupposed is transparent to extraction.

This paper also aims to evaluate two experimental designs intended to measure island effects and discuss methodological challenges associated with them. Three of the five experiments discussed in the present paper employ a factorial design based on Sprouse et al. (2012) that allows the impacts of island-violating extraction to be isolated from two other potentially confounding factors: the length of the extraction, and the complexity of clauses typically considered to be islands (hence the “length by complexity” name sometimes given to this design). Since the design allows the costs for each of these factors to be calculated, the strength of an island can be isolated, potentially allowing for comparison across syntactic environments, across different island types, and across languages.

An alternative design is deployed in the second and fifth experiments which compares long-distance extraction to a long-distance referential dependency. Since the design compares two sentences with equal-length dependencies, one of which is an island-sensitive dependency and one of which is island-insensitive, an estimate of the difference between at least two domains’ transparency to extraction can be determined. The current paper argues that the length by complexity design is more successful for estimating island effects precisely, but that care needs to be taken when attempting to compare island effects in different syntactic environments and when attempting to identify constructions to be used in the baseline conditions. When appropriate baseline conditions can’t be found, the alternative design used here can provide an estimate of island strength where the length by complexity design would have been unable to.

The paper is organized as follows. §2 provides a background summary of the literature on acceptable cases of relative clause subextraction in other languages, focusing on the factors that affect transparency to extraction. §3 outlines the logic of the length by

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1. This design has also been used in other work, including at least Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher (2018) and Sprouse et al. (2013b, 2011, 2016).
complexity design, and in §3.1, Experiment 1 is used to illustrate how the design can be extended to compare islands in different environments. Experiment 1 investigates whether the transparency of RCs within object DPs of transitive verbs is affected by the object DP’s definiteness. The results suggest that definiteness alone has no impact on the acceptability of RC subextraction, and it is discussed how the length by complexity design makes it possible to determine this.

§4 describes Experiment 2, which tested RC transparency to subextraction in existential environments using a different experimental design. The results of this experiment suggest that English RCs are more transparent to extraction in existential clauses. Potential confounds in the materials and issues with the design are discussed. §5 presents Experiment 3, which moves back to the length by complexity design and finds that both existential and predicate nominal environments increase RC transparency to extraction relative to transitive object environments. Follow-up experiments are then discussed which replace finite RCs with infinitival RCs. Experiment 4, which uses the length by complexity design, is presented in §6, and Experiment 5, which uses the dependency type design, is in §7. §8 provides an overall discussion of the findings, how they should be explained, and the two methodologies used, and §9 concludes. Supplemental materials can be found in the appendices.

2 Background: Extraction from RCs in other languages

2.1 Danish

Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979, p. 55) write that in Danish, RC subextraction is impossible in most environments (much like English). Although they put the criteria for acceptable RC subextraction in terms of their pragmatic notion of dominance, they note several lexical and structural factors that are typically compatible with their pragmatic criteria. First, RC subextraction is usually possible if the matrix clause is an existential clause (5).

(5) Det er der mange der kan lide.
    That there are many who like.
    (There are many who like that.) (Erteschik-Shir and Lappin 1979, p. 55)

Extraction is also possible, they write, when the matrix clause can be construed as serving to “[introduce] into the sentence the head of the relative clause,” such as when the matrix predicate is ‘know’ (5a) or ‘meet’ (6b). A first person matrix subject is apparently critical for this function (1979, p. 57). It is implied here that these predicates have somewhat of an existential “flavor” (see §2.4 for some discussion of the role of so-called non-canonical existentials).

2. They define dominance as a property belonging to a constituent whose intension the speaker intends to direct the hearer’s attention to. This notion works together with their Dominance Hypothesis, which states that RC subextraction is possible iff the clause containing the NP that hosts the relative clause is dominant (or if the NP that hosts the relative clause is itself dominant).
The more complex the matrix clause is (mainly affected by the matrix predicate, but also the definiteness of the head NP of the RC), they write, “the more difficult it is to interpret this matrix in a manner analogous to the existential operator.” Thus, examples like those in (7) have diminished acceptability. (7a–7b) have different, more “semantically complex” matrix predicates, and (7c)’s stressed matrix predicate (emphasis in example is mine) reportedly affects the acceptability of subextraction (Erteschik-Shir and Lappin 1979, p. 57).

In summary, RC subextraction in Danish is most acceptable in existential clauses and with certain verbs like know or meet. More semantically complex predicates lower the possibility for RC subextraction.

2.2 Swedish

Another Scandinavian language, Swedish, has also been argued to allow extraction from RCs. Engdahl (1997) argues that typical RC subextraction in Swedish involve “presentational constructions,” which introduce a new referent. This type of sentence is often formed as an existential sentence with the expletive nominal det ‘it’ (8), or där/der ‘there’ in certain dialects. There are also a number of cleft constructions that Engdahl assumes contain relative clauses, and these also often tolerate subextraction.

While RC subextractions in Swedish often occur when the main predicate is the existential operator, Engdahl (1997) reports that RC subextraction also can occur when the relative
clause is situated in an NP object of a verb like *känner* ‘know’ (9a), *behöva* ‘need’ (9b), *känna till* ‘know of’, *se* ‘see’ (9c), *hitta på* ‘make up’, and *beundra* ‘admire’, perhaps related to the predicates noted by Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979) and mentioned in §2.1. Engdahl suggests that what is important is that what follows the fronted constituent must be able to be construed as a relevant comment (or predicate) of that constituent.

(9) a. [Den teorin]_k_ *känner* jag ingen_ som tror på _t_ k  
      that theory know I nobody that believes in  
      ‘That theory, I know nobody that believes in (it).’  
      (1997, p. 24)  

b. Det_ j_ *bohöver* vi någon som tar hand om _t j_  
      that need we someone who takes care of  
      ‘That, we need someone who takes care of (it).’  
      (1997, p. 24)  

c. [En sådan frisyr]_ j_ har jag aldrig sett någon som ser snygg ut i _t j_.  
      that such hairstyle have I never seen anyone who looks good in  
      ‘That kind of hairstyle, I have never seen anyone who looks good in (it).’  
      (1997, p. 24)  

Engdahl notes that “one sometimes comes across the claim that extractions out of relative clauses are only possible if the head NP is indefinite,” but argues that the correlation between RC subextraction and an indefinite RC head is a consequence of the types of sentences that allow RC subextraction, rather than a consequence of the definiteness of the head NP. For instance, existential sentences exhibit a definiteness effect (10), but cleft constructions allow RC subextractions whether the head NP is definite (11a) or indefinite (11b).

(10) Existential

a. [Det språket]_ i_ finns det många som talar _ t i_  
      that language exist it many that speak  
      ‘That language, there are many that speak (it).’  
      (1997, p. 25)  

b. *[Det språket]_ i_ finns det kvinnan som talar _ t j_  
      that language exist it the.woman that speaks  
      (‘That language, there is the woman that speaks (it).’)  
      (1997, p. 25)  

(11) Cleft

a. Detta_ j_ är det bara presidenten som kan avgöra _ t j_.  
      this it only the président who can decide  
      ‘This, it’s only the president who can decide (it).’  
      (1997, p. 26)  

b. Lax_ j_ var det många som ville ha _ t j_.  
      salmon was it many who wanted  
      ‘Salmon, it was many who wanted (it).’  
      (1997, p. 27)
Engdahl observes that in some cases where the definiteness of the head NP appears to affect the acceptability of RC subextraction, the effect is really due to the compatibility of the head NP with the main predicate inside the RC—particularly, a property she refers to as its distributivity. For example, a definite head NP of a subject relative will be most compatible with a predicate that typically denotes a unique-individual-to-one relation, and an indefinite head NP will be most compatible with a predicate that typically denotes a many-to-one relation. Believing, for example, is typically a many-to-one relation, and when this is the RC predicate, the most natural head NP is one that does not entail a unique believer (12). This effect holds even when RC subextraction does not occur (13), showing that the effect is independent of RC subextraction. On the other hand, inventing is typically a one-to-one relation, and when invent is the RC predicate, the most natural head NP entails uniqueness (14).

(12) a. [Den teorin] känner jag ingen som tror på t_k.
   ‘That theory, I know nobody that believes in
   ‘That theory, I know nobody that believes in (it).’

   b. ??[Den teorin] känner jag mannen som tror på t_k.
   ‘That theory, I know the man that believes in
   (‘That theory, I know the man that believes in (it).’) (1997, p. 27)

(13) ??Jag känner mannen som tror på den här teorin.
   ‘I know the man that believes in this here theory
   (‘I know the man who believes in this theory.’) (1997, p. 27)

(14) a. [Den här teorin] känner jag mannen som uppfann t_j.
   ‘This theory, I know the man who invented
   ‘This theory, I know the man who invented (it).’

   b. ??[Den här teorin] känner jag ingen som uppfann t_j.
   ‘This theory, I know nobody that invented
   (‘This theory, I know nobody who invented (it).’) (1997, p. 28)

In summary, Swedish also appears to allow RC subextraction in existential clauses and clauses with predicates that serve to introduce or present a DP referent into the discourse. This latter type of predicate is presumably related to the predicates that Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979) observe to be compatible with RC subextraction (know and meet).

2.3 Norwegian

Norwegian is also claimed to allow RC subextraction (Taraldsen 1982). Like the previous authors, Taraldsen notes that there are only certain environments in which RC subextraction is possible in Norwegian, but focuses on the apparent need for an RC out of which subextraction has occurred to be extraposed, noting the contrast in (15–16).
Taraldsen argues that examples such as (15b) and (16b) are acceptable because of an ordering of operations. Once extraposition of the relative clause has taken place, constituents within the relative clause can be acceptably extracted because they no longer have to cross the NP bounding node within which the relative clause was generated.

The other pattern Taraldsen observes is that when RC subextraction takes place out of a relative clause base-generated in subject position, the result is unacceptable even when the relative clause is extraposed (17a). When there is no RC subextraction, the sentence is acceptable (17b).

The apparent ban on subextractions from RCs generated in subjects may be related to so-called freezing effects, which occur when extraction takes place out of a constituent that has already moved as a whole.

Regarding Taraldsen’s observations about relative clauses out of which something has been extracted needing to be extraposed, Engdahl (1997, p. 7) writes that his observations capture “what seems to be a characteristic property of relative clause extractions, namely the fact that the relative clause tends to be clause-final.”

Although Taraldsen focuses on an apparent need for the RC out of which subextraction occurs to be clause-final, it is worth noting that many of his examples illustrating RC subextraction exhibit properties related to those discussed for Danish and Swedish. For instance, one example involves extraction from an RC in the object of the verb møtt ‘meet’, and the examples above involve RC subextraction out of a DP that is inherently non-presupposed, ingen ‘nobody’.
2.4 Hebrew

Regarding RC subextraction in Hebrew, Sichel (2018) observes several factors that influence transparency to extraction, some of which have not been discussed for the Scandinavian languages. First, the relative clause must be situated in a non-presuppositional DP—i.e. a DP whose referent’s existence is not presupposed, but is asserted. This condition is met in a number of different types of sentences, including canonical existentials (18) (as observed for Danish in Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979), Swedish in Engdahl (1997), and English in Kush et al. (2013)).

(18) EXISTENTIAL
   a. al lexem šaxor, yeš rak gvina axat še-keday limroax.
      on bread black BE only cheese one that-worth to.spread
      ‘On black bread, there is only one cheese that’s worth spreading.’
      (Sichel 2018, p. 357)
   b. me-ha-sifria ha-zot, yeš ulay [xamiša sfarim] še-keday PRO
      from-the-library the-this BE maybe five books that-worth
      lehaš’il t₁ t₂.
      to.borrow
      ‘From this library, there are hardly five books worth borrowing.’
      (2018, p. 357)

In addition to canonical existentials, sentences with nonverbal predicates in which the predicate is the DP containing the relative clause also tolerate RC subextraction (19).

(19) NON-VERBAL PREDICATE
   a. al ha-haxlata ha-zot, yair lapid haya [ha-axaron še-yada t₂].
      about the-decision the-this Yair Lapid was the-last that-knew
      ‘About this decision, Yair Lapid was the last to know.’
      (2018, p. 358)
   b. et ha-toxnit ha-zot, ata [ha-yaxid še-ro’e t₂]
      ACC the-program the-this you the-single that-watches
      ‘This program, you’re the only one who watches.’
      (2018, p. 358)

Finally, non-canonical existential sentences in which the DP referent’s existence is asserted or implied (20a, 20b), or denied (20c) are compatible with RC subextraction. (20a) is repeated from (1d). Also important for the DP to be interpreted non-presuppositionally in non-canonical existentials is for the matrix subject to be first person, a factor that was also observed by Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979) and noted in §2.1.
Separate from the presuppositionality of the DP containing the relative clause, Sichel also argues extensively that any relative clause out of which a constituent is acceptably extracted must be a raising relative clause (in the sense of Kayne [1994; Vergnaud [1974, among others). When other factors force a matching relative clause analysis, such as when reconstruction of the relative clause head would give rise to a Principle C violation, (Bhatt 2002; Hulsey and Sauerland 2006) RC subextraction is not acceptable (21a). When the raising analysis would not give rise to a Principle C violation, RC subextraction is acceptable (21b).

(21) a. *me-ha-doda ha-zot₂, yeš [kama tmunot bar micva šel dani₁]₂ še-hu₁ from-the-aunt the-this BE few photos bar mitzvah of Dani that-he ša’al t₂ t₃, borrowed ‘From this aunt, there are a few bar mitzvah pictures of Dani that his mother borrowed.’

b. me-ha-doda ha-zot₂, yeš [kama tmunot bar micva šel dani₁]₂ from-the-aunt the-this BE few photos bar mitzvah of Dani še-ima šelo₁ ša’ala t₂ t₃, that-mother his borrowed ‘From this aunt, there are a few bar mitzvah pictures of Dani that his mother borrowed.’ (2018, p. 343)

Although Hebrew belongs to an entirely different language family than the Scandinavian languages, the factors affecting the acceptability of RC subextraction are remarkably similar. Much like Danish and Swedish, the language’s canonical existential construction facilitates subextraction. Non-canonical existential clauses work just as well, and these
involve predicates like \textit{know}, \textit{see}, and \textit{find}, which are often used to implicitly assert or deny the existence of their complement. This class of predicates is likely the same class of predicates noted by Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979) and Engdahl (1997) to improve RC subextraction.

\subsection*{2.5 Italian (and Romance)}

Cinque (2010) presents the following examples of RC subextraction in Italian. (22a) is similar to the non-canonical existentials discussed in §2.4 having a first person matrix subject and a non-presuppositional DP which contains the relative clause. (22b-22c) have existential matrix clauses that deny the existence of the referent of the DP containing the relative clause.

\begin{enumerate}
    \item[(22)]
    \begin{enumerate}
        \item Giorgio, al quale non conosco nessune che sarebbe disposto ad affidare i propri risparmi, \ldots
        \begin{quote}
            ‘Giorgio, whom I don’t know anybody that would be ready to entrust with their savings, \ldots’
        \end{quote}
        \item Ida, di cui non c’è nessuno che sia mai stato innamorato, \ldots
        \begin{quote}
            ‘Ida, whom there is nobody that was ever in love with, \ldots’
        \end{quote}
        \item Gianni, al quale non c’è nessuno che sia in grado di resistere, \ldots
        \begin{quote}
            ‘Gianni, whom there is nobody that is able to resist, \ldots’
        \end{quote}
    \end{enumerate}
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Cinque also presents examples from French (23) and Spanish (24), both of which involve RC subextraction from DPs in existential clauses.

\begin{enumerate}
    \item[(23)]
    \begin{enumerate}
        \item Jean, à qui il n’y a personne qui puisse s’opposer, \ldots
        \begin{quote}
            ‘Jean, whom there is nobody that could oppose, \ldots’
        \end{quote}
        \item (?C’est un endroit où il n’y a personne qui voudrait vivre.
        \begin{quote}
            It’s a place where there is no one that would like to live. \hspace{1cm} (2010, p. 83)
        \end{quote}
    \end{enumerate}
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\begin{enumerate}
    \item[(24)]
    \begin{enumerate}
        \item Ida, de quien no hay nadie que se haya enamorado alguna vez, \ldots
        \begin{quote}
            ‘Ida, whom there is nobody that was ever in love with, \ldots’
        \end{quote}
        \item Ese es un sitio en el que no hay nadie que querría vivir.
        \begin{quote}
            ‘This is a place where there is no one that would like to live.’ \hspace{1cm} (2010, p. 84)
        \end{quote}
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\subsection*{2.6 Interim summary}

The following table summarizes observations about the factors that affect the acceptability of RC subextraction, both those made by the authors cited in this section and those made by the current author about the examples given by those authors.
Table 1: Properties argued to affect RC transparency to extraction

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3 Sifting for island effects experimentally

The length by complexity design (Sprouse et al. 2012 and others) is a factorial experimental design intended to allow the researcher to isolate island violation effects from the potentially confounding factors of extraction distance and the additional complexity associated with typical islands. Extraction distance is independently known to affect sentence processing, such that grammatical longer-distance extractions are more difficult to process than grammatical shorter-distance extractions. Typical islands such as relative clauses or embedded WH-questions are also more difficult to process (relative to embedded that-clause complements), and this is typically ascribed to the A-bar dependency involved in their formation. Both of these processing challenges have been shown to impact the ratings that experiment participants give to these sentences.

At its simplest, the length by complexity design requires two factors with two levels each. The first factor is extraction length, comparing extraction of a matrix subject (a SHORT extraction) to extraction of an argument in an embedded clause—here, an embedded object (a LONG extraction). The SHORT level is taken as the baseline, on the assumption that short extractions are easiest to process. The second factor is the structure of the embedded clause, in which embedded that-clauses (NON-ISLAND) are compared to an embedded clause considered to be an island (ISLAND). For Experiment 1, this is a Complex DP containing either a RC or a CP complement to N. The NON-ISLAND level is taken to be the baseline here, on the assumption that embedded that-clauses are easier to process than embedded clauses typically considered to be islands.

Crossing these two factors results in an experiment with four conditions, laid out in Table 2. An abstract template for each of these conditions is shown in (25).

(25) a. $DP_i \ [TP \_j \ldots \ [CP \ that \ \ldots \ldots \ ] ]$  \hspace{1cm} NON-ISLAND | SHORT
    b. $DP_i \ [TP \ldots \ldots \ [CP \ that \ \ldots \ldots \_j ] ]$  \hspace{1cm} NON-ISLAND | LONG
    c. $DP_i \ [TP \_j \ldots \ [ISLAND \ \ldots \ldots \ ] ]$  \hspace{1cm} ISLAND | SHORT
    d. $*DP_i \ [TP \ldots \ldots \ [ISLAND \ \ldots \ldots \_j ] ]$  \hspace{1cm} ISLAND | LONG
Taking **NON-ISLAND** to be the baseline level in the **STRUCTURE** factor and **SHORT** to be the baseline level in the **LENGTH** factor, the condition combining these two levels will be the baseline condition against which all the others are measured. The baseline condition is assumed to involve some processing cost, $\beta$, that will be reflected in the acceptability ratings given to sentences in this condition. The remaining conditions are assumed to involve the same processing cost of the first condition plus some other cost. Imagine this cost as a penalty to the ratings given to that condition. The **NON-ISLAND | LONG** condition is assumed to have a penalty resulting from the length of extraction, and the **ISLAND | SHORT** condition is assumed to have a penalty due to the added complexity of the island. Finally, the **ISLAND | LONG** condition is assumed to have both the length and complexity penalties, as well as an island violation penalty. The penalties associated with each condition are summarized in (26).

(26)  
    \[
    \begin{align*}
    \text{a. } \text{NON-ISLAND | SHORT} &= \beta \\
    \text{b. } \text{NON-ISLAND | LONG} &= \beta + \text{LENGTH} \\
    \text{c. } \text{ISLAND | SHORT} &= \beta + \text{COMPLEXITY} \\
    \text{d. } \text{ISLAND | LONG} &= \beta + \text{LENGTH} + \text{COMPLEXITY} + \text{ISLAND VIOLATION}
    \end{align*}
    \]

With these assumptions in place, isolating the island violation penalty can be achieved arithmetically, since in an acceptability judgment experiment, each condition receives a numerical rating. First, we can take the average rating for the **ISLAND | LONG** condition and remove the baseline penalty and the length penalty by subtracting that rating from the average rating for the **NON-ISLAND | LONG** condition, as illustrated in (27). Following previous work, this difference is called D1. Note that since all of these factors are penalties, their values will actually be negative. However, the difference scores are calculated in such a way that the penalty is represented by a positive number.

(27)  
    \[
    \begin{align*}
    \beta + \text{LENGTH} \quad &\quad (\text{NON-ISLAND | LONG}) \\
    - \beta + \text{LENGTH} + \text{COMPLEXITY} + \text{ISLAND VIOLATION} \quad &\quad (\text{ISLAND | LONG}) \\
    = &\quad (\text{COMPLEXITY} + \text{ISLAND VIOLATION}) \quad (\text{D1})
    \end{align*}
    \]

Next, the complexity penalty needs to be isolated so that it can be removed from the difference in (27). This penalty can be calculated by finding the difference between the **NON-ISLAND | SHORT** condition and the **ISLAND | SHORT** condition, as illustrated in (28). This difference is called D2.
After calculating differences $D_1$ and $D_2$, a final subtraction yields a differences-in-differences (DD) score, which isolates the island violation penalty (29). In other work utilizing the length by complexity design, a DD score greater than zero is known as a *super-additive* island effect, since the ratings penalty caused by extracting from an island is not a simple sum of the length and complexity penalties.

$$
\begin{align*}
\beta & \quad \text{(NON-ISLAND|SHORT)} \\
- \beta + \text{COMPLEXITY} & \quad \text{(ISLAND|SHORT)} \\
\hline
- \text{COMPLEXITY} & \quad \text{(D2)}
\end{align*}
$$

With the logic of the length by complexity design now in place, we will consider a mock experiment that compares embedded *that*-clauses to subject RCs with the relative pronoun *who* and compares a short matrix subject extraction to a long embedded object extraction. This mock experiment will have conditions with the structures in (30). Since (30d) involves movement out of a RC, which typically results in a severely degraded sentence, it is expected to be receive the lowest ratings.

$$
\begin{align*}
- (\text{COMPLEXITY} + \text{ISLAND VIOLATION}) & \quad \text{(D1)} \\
- - \text{COMPLEXITY} & \quad \text{(D2)} \\
\hline
- \text{ISLAND VIOLATION} & \quad \text{(DD)}
\end{align*}
$$

To minimize confounding factors, the stimuli within each item should be made as similar as possible, including lexical material, number of words, etc. For an experiment comparing embedded *that*-clauses to relative clauses, one way to minimize differences across the NON-ISLAND and ISLAND conditions is to only use matrix verbs that can take either a *that*-clause complement or a DP complement, such as *understand, notice, or believe*. The following is a sample item that meets these criteria and uses WH-movement for extraction.

$$
\begin{align*}
\text{(31) SAMPLE ITEM FOR A MOCK LENGTH BY COMPLEXITY EXPERIMENT} \\
a. \text{Who } _\text{ } \text{understands that the teachers dislike unstapled papers?} \quad \text{NON-ISLAND|SHORT} \\
b. \text{What does Lorena understand that the teachers dislike } _\text{ }? \quad \text{NON-ISLAND|LONG} \\
c. \text{Who } _\text{ } \text{understands the teachers who dislike unstapled papers?} \quad \text{ISLAND|SHORT} \\
d. \text{What does Lorena understand the teachers who dislike } _\text{ }? \quad \text{ISLAND|LONG}
\end{align*}
$$

Let us assume that an acceptability judgment experiment is run with items modeled on (31), using a ratings scale of 1-6, 1 being “clearly bad” and 6 being “clearly good”. Imagine that the conditions received the average ratings presented in Table 3 which are also
Table 3: Mock results for a simple length by complexity experiment

<table>
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<tr>
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<td>SHORT</td>
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<tr>
<td>NON-ISLAND</td>
<td>5.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>ISLAND</td>
<td>4.7</td>
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represented graphically in Figure 1. Note that the highest-rated condition is the NON-ISLAND | SHORT condition, and that the ISLAND | LONG condition is rated lowest. This is expected for a condition representing extraction from an island.

Using these average ratings, we can calculate an island score for English RCs as illustrated above. First, following (27), D1 is calculated as in (32), which gives us the combined cost of COMPLEXITY and ISLAND VIOLATION. Next, following (28), D2 is calculated as in (33), giving us the isolated COMPLEXITY cost. Finally, D2 is subtracted from D1, resulting in the DD score (34), which represents the island score—the strength of the island used in the experiment. Due to the direction in which the subtractions are done, the resulting island score is a positive number. The higher the island score is, the stronger the island is considered to be, and the more degraded subextraction is predicted to be. For the remainder of the paper, the DD score calculation will be represented in a DD table, as shown in Table 4.

(32) COMPLEXITY + ISLAND VIOLATION PENALTY

\[
\begin{align*}
3.9 \text{ (NON-ISLAND | LONG)} - 1.9 \text{ (ISLAND | LONG)} &= 2.0 \text{ (D1)}
\end{align*}
\]

(33) COMPLEXITY PENALTY

\[
\begin{align*}
5.0 \text{ (NON-ISLAND | SHORT)} - 4.7 \text{ (ISLAND | SHORT)} &= 0.3 \text{ (D2)}
\end{align*}
\]

(34) ISLAND VIOLATION PENALTY

\[
\begin{align*}
2.0 \text{ (D1)} - 0.3 \text{ (D2)} &= 1.7 \text{ (DD)}
\end{align*}
\]

The island score for the RC island used in this experiment is 1.7. Since the above calculation is done on the averages of the raw ratings given by the mock participants, the DD score represents the average ratings penalty caused by RC subextraction in this specific experiment (with this experiment’s items). In papers based on actual length by complexity experiments, the ratings are z-scored before these calculations are made, which allows for a more accurate comparison across participants, syntactic-semantic environments, and experiments. From here on, average ratings will be shown in plots like the one in Figure 1, but DD scores will be calculated using z-scored ratings.

Now that it is clear how a simple length by complexity experiment can be used to gain insight into the strength of an island, Experiment 1 is presented, which extends the
Figure 1: Mock results for a simple length by complexity experiment, arranged by LENGTH

Table 4: Mock DD scores for a simple length by complexity experiment

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<tr>
<td>NON-ISLAND</td>
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<tr>
<td>SHORT</td>
<td>4.7</td>
<td>1.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>ISLAND</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>0.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>LONG</td>
<td>1.7</td>
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\[ DD = (D1 + D2) / 2 \]
simple design by adding an additional factor relating to the definiteness of the DP containing the RC. It was mentioned in the introduction that some work has characterized the definiteness of the containing DP as being one of the factors affecting the acceptability of RC subextraction (and extraction from DPs generally), so it is worth testing the claim experimentally, both to gauge the validity of the claim for English and to show how the length by complexity design can be used to compare island strength in different syntactic-semantic environments.

3.1 Experiment 1

The goal of Experiment 1 is to investigate whether the definiteness of a DP containing either a relative clause or a CP complement to N has a detectable impact on the acceptability of subextraction. Experiment 1 builds on the design of the mock experiment discussed above.

3.1.1 Participants

32 individuals participated in Experiment 1, 14 of which were family members of the author and 18 of which were UC Santa Cruz undergraduates who received course credit for their participation. One participant did not complete the experiment due to time constraints, but that participant’s data is included in the analysis.

3.1.2 Materials & methods

Experiment 1 extends the length by complexity design discussed above by adding an additional factor, resulting in a 2×2×2 factorial design. The third factor relates to the definiteness of the DP that hosts the RC or CP complement to N. This factor is named DEFINITENESS, and its levels are DEF(INITE) and IND(EFINITE). In the ISLAND conditions, this factor pertained to the DP that contains the RC/CP complement; however, since the NON-ISLAND conditions use an embedded that-clause complement of a verb, the embedded clause is not embedded inside a DP, and an analogous DP had to be chosen on which to reflect the DEFINITENESS factor. Since the DP hosting the RC in the ISLAND conditions contained a subject RC, in the NON-ISLAND conditions this DP’s lexical material was recycled as the subject of the embedded clause. It was this DP whose definiteness was manipulated in the NON-ISLAND conditions. This difference across the ISLAND and NON-ISLAND conditions is best seen by studying the DP the teachers in (35a) and (35e).

This combination of factors gives a total of eight conditions per item. 32 items were created. Half of these items had a RC as the island, and the other half had a CP complement to N as the island. The DEFINITE conditions all used the article the. 24 of the items’ INDEFINITE conditions used the indefinite article a(n), and the remaining eight items used bare plurals. This was done selectively when using the indefinite article didn’t sound

3. See, for instance, Erteschik-Shir and Lappin [1979, pp. 55–56] regarding extraction from complex DPs (containing clauses), and Diesing [1992, pp. 127–136] regarding extraction from simple DPs (containing PPs, for instance).
natural, and it was assumed that this change would have no effect on processing. Henceforth, the items that used CP complements to N instead of RCs are ignored because the choice between these two clause types didn’t have a significant impact on the acceptability of subextraction. The interested reader can find a description of the CP complement conditions in Appendix C.

A sample item is presented below, representing the items with relative clauses as the island (35). As in the mock experiment above, matrix verbs were chosen that are compatible with either a CP or a DP complement. In the NON-ISLAND conditions, the verbs had a CP complement, and in the ISLAND conditions, the verbs had a DP complement.

(35) **Experiment 1 Sample Item**

a. Who understands that the teachers dislike unstapled papers? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who understands that teachers dislike unstapled papers? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What does Lorena understand that the teachers dislike? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What does Lorena understand that teachers dislike? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who understands the teachers who dislike unstapled papers? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who understands teachers who dislike unstapled papers? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What does Lorena understand the teachers who dislike? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What does Lorena understand teachers who dislike? ISLAND | LONG | IND

The experimental conditions were distributed among eight lists using a Latin Square so that four observations per condition were obtained per participant, and no more than one condition per item was seen by any participant. Each participant saw a total of 32 experimental sentences. These were randomly sorted with 64 filler sentences, for a total of 96 sentences. The filler sentences were adapted from Sprouse et al. (2013a), a study based on a random sample of example sentences from Linguistic Inquiry articles from 2001–2010. Modifications were made to 18 of these sentences so that the average length of the filler sentences (10.6 words) was not substantially greater than the average length of the experimental sentences (10.0 words). Fillers were selected so that each participant saw an equal number of declarative and interrogative sentences in the course of the experiment (48 of each), and a reasonable balance of expected grammatical and expected ungrammatical sentences (70% grammatical, 30% ungrammatical).

This experiment was deployed as a pen-and-paper survey. Participants were instructed to rate each sentence by circling a number on a 1 to 6 Likert scale, where 1 is described as “clearly bad”, 2 is “pretty bad”, 3 is “somewhat bad”, 4 is “somewhat good”, 5 is “pretty good”, and 6 is “clearly good”. The survey formed from List 1 is given in Appendix F. The 14 family member participants were instructed to complete the survey individually, but the environment was unable to be controlled for noise and background talking. The 18 undergraduate participants completed the survey in the psycholinguistics lab at UC Santa Cruz.
3.1.3 Analysis

A mixed effects ordinal regression model was fit to the data with a maximal random effects structure. The model coefficients for Experiment 1 are provided with commentary in Appendix B.1.

3.1.4 Predictions

We expect to see some degree of degradation for longer movement dependencies relative to shorter ones, which would show up as a main effect of LENGTH, as well as a general degradation for ISLAND conditions relative to NON-ISLAND conditions due to the complexity of a RC as compared to an embedded that-clause. Statistically, this would surface as a main effect of STRUCTURE.

We also predict there to be a significant degradation for ISLAND|LONG conditions, since these involve extraction out of an island. A general island effect would show up as an interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH.

Finally, on the hypothesis that relative clauses in INDEFINITE DPs are more transparent than those in DEFINITE DPs, we would expect to see a three-way interaction between STRUCTURE, LENGTH, and DEFINITENESS.

3.1.5 Results

As predicted, general ratings decreases were found for conditions with long extractions, as well as for conditions with islands. The ISLAND|LONG conditions were rated lowest of all, which is unsurprising given that this condition involves extraction from an island. The INDEFINITE conditions as a whole were rated slightly lower than the DEFINITE conditions. This is visualized in Figure 3.1.5.

In the statistical analysis, there were main effects of LENGTH \((p < 0.001)\) and STRUCTURE \((p < 0.001)\). The overall penalty of the INDEFINITE conditions also surfaced as a main effect of DEFINITENESS \((p < 0.001)\). The interaction of STRUCTURE and LENGTH was significant \((p < 0.001)\), which is the predicted island effect. The hypothesis that indefinite DPs will be more transparent to extraction predicts a significant interaction between STRUCTURE, LENGTH, and DEFINITENESS, but this interaction was found not to be significant \((p = .866)\).

The averaged z-scores for each condition are shown in Table 5. The DD scores are printed in that table for each level of DEFINITENESS. As shown in the last column, the island score (DD) is slightly higher for the DEFINITE condition (0.83) compared to the INDEFINITE condition (0.70), indicating a slightly higher penalty for island-violating extraction in the DEFINITE conditions. As noted above, though, this difference was not significant.

3.1.6 Discussion

Since no significant interaction was found between STRUCTURE, LENGTH, and DEFINITENESS, we cannot conclude that the definiteness of the intervening DP has an effect on
Figure 2: Experiment 1 results, faceted by DEFINITENESS and arranged by LENGTH. Error bars represent standard error.

Table 5: Experiment 1 z-score ratings and DD scores

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<th>DEFINITENESS</th>
<th>NON-ISLAND</th>
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<th>ISLAND</th>
<th>SHORT</th>
<th>ISLAND</th>
<th>LONG</th>
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<th>D2 (COMPLEXITY)</th>
<th>DD (ISLAND VIOL.)</th>
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<td>DEFINITE</td>
<td>0.75</td>
<td>0.09</td>
<td>0.53</td>
<td>−0.96</td>
<td>1.05</td>
<td>0.22</td>
<td>0.83</td>
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<td>INDEFINITE</td>
<td>0.58</td>
<td>−0.11</td>
<td>0.24</td>
<td>−1.14</td>
<td>1.03</td>
<td>0.34</td>
<td>0.70</td>
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transparency to extraction. This is a surprising result on the simplistic view that definiteness is the only factor or is one of the main factors affecting transparency to extraction, as has sometimes been suggested (see fn. 3). However, on the view that the DP’s presupposition status is one of the main factors affecting transparency to extraction (Sichel 2018), this result may be less surprising. DPs may only be non-presupposed in particular syntactic-semantic environments, such that even an indefinite DP might be presupposed in one environment, and a definite DP might be non-presupposed in another.

This experiment did not control for the effect that the environment of the DP containing the RC would have on the DP’s presuppositionality. All DPs containing the RC were the object of one of the transitive verbs listed in (36). A small handful of these verbs might have presentational uses that allow them to be interpreted as asserting the existence of their object (possibly notice, find, reveal, and know), but most of them are unlikely to be used in a presentational context and are more likely to be used in a context in which the referent of the DP object is already assumed to exist.

(36) EXPERIMENT 1 VERBS (CONDITIONS IN WHICH ISLAND = RC)
notice, trust, respect, find, like, believe, know, predict, understand, report, remember, teach, write, appreciate, reveal, suggest

3.1.7 Interim conclusion

This section has presented the logic of the length by complexity experiment design, as well as how it can be extended to investigate the strength of an island in different definiteness environments. Experiment 1 found that the definiteness of a DP containing an RC has no significant impact on the RC’s transparency to extraction, at least when those DPs are the objects of the transitive verbs in (36). The following experiment seeks to address the issue of the presuppositionality of the DP containing the RC.

4 Experiment 2

The main goal of Experiment 2 was to directly introduce a factor relating to both the presuppositionality of the DP containing the RC and whether that DP occupied a derived position or not. For the non-presupposed, non-derived-position level, the English existential construction (sentences with the expletive there) was used, in which the DP containing the RC is in the pivot of the existential. This was compared to both definite and indefinite DPs in the high subject position (Spec, TP), on the logic that the pivot of an existential is a non-presupposed subject in a non-derived (low) position, and high subjects occupy a derived position that may be presupposed.

The length by complexity design was abandoned for this experiment. This choice was made because it was thought that comparing derived and non-derived positions for the DP containing the RC would result in an item having conditions with substantially different sentence structures. This was likely to introduce too many confounding factors that would be difficult to control for, so a different factorial design was used that compared a
movement dependency to an anaphoric dependency, both of which were resolved in the RC island.

4.1 Participants

45 individuals participated in Experiment 2, all of which were UC Santa Cruz undergraduates who received course credit for their participation. Eight of these participants self-reported in debriefing that they were non-native speakers of English, and their data was excluded, for a total of 37 participants whose data is considered here.

A replicate dataset was collected online using Amazon Mechanical Turk. 37 individuals participated in this version, and they were paid six dollars for participating. The participants ranged from 23 to 66 years of age, with a mean age of 37.2 and a median age of 32. No participants’ data was excluded.

4.2 Materials & methods

Experiment 2 employed a 3×2 factorial design that used a non-island-sensitive anaphoric dependency for the baseline conditions, which allowed all conditions to contain an RC (there were no conditions with embedded that-clauses). No CP complements to N were used, in contrast to Experiment 1. As mentioned above, the environment of the DP out of which subextraction occurs was controlled for to investigate whether DP position and presuppositionality affected transparency to extraction. This was coded as a three-level factor called SUBJECT. The levels were coded as THERE (for conditions in which the expletive there occupied the subject position), INDEFINITE (for high indefinite subjects), and DEFINITE for (high definite subjects). In the DEFINITE and INDEFINITE conditions, the tail of the dependency was located in the high subject position (Spec, TP). What is relevant for this factor is the comparison between extraction from a high subject (Spec, TP) and extraction from what might be called a low subject (see e.g. Deal [2009], p. 313). The other factor, DEPENDENCY TYPE, manipulated the type of long-distance dependency, comparing one that is typically considered to trigger island effects (MOVEMENT) to one that does not trigger island effects (ANAPHORIC).

All experimental sentences in Experiment 2 were declarative sentences. Across all conditions, the first subject was either a name or a title that was expected to be familiar to a college student (Lady Gaga, the Pope, etc.). This was done to avoid any potential additional processing costs of accommodating the existence of a referent that might be unfamiliar to the participant. In the MOVEMENT conditions, the matrix predicate was the present tense copula is, and its object was invariably the indefinite someone, within which a relative clause was embedded. Inside this relative clause was another relative clause into which the long-distance dependency was constructed. This structure was chosen to establish the kind of topic–comment relation between the highest subject and the relative clause discussed by Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979) and mentioned in §2.2.

In the ANAPHORIC conditions, matrix verbs were chosen that are compatible with CP complements. Care was taken not to choose matrix verbs that were too semantically complex. The verbs know, believe, think, claim, say, and hope were each used in four different items. Using CP-embedding matrix verbs eliminated the need for the long-distance
movement dependency found in the MOVEMENT conditions, allowing the replacement of the MOVEMENT conditions’ gap with a pronoun that is co-referent with the matrix subject. A sample item is presented in (37).

(37) **Experiment 2 sample item**

   a. The president is someone that there are many Americans who supported in the election living in rural areas.  

   b. The president thinks that there are many Americans who supported him in the election living in rural areas.

   c. The president is someone that many Americans who supported in the election are living in rural areas.

   d. The president thinks that many Americans who supported him in the election are living in rural areas.

   e. The president is someone that the Americans who supported in the election are living in rural areas.

   f. The president thinks that the Americans who supported him in the election are living in rural areas.

Twenty-four items were created, for a total of 144 experimental sentences. These were distributed among six lists using a Latin Square. This allowed for four observations per condition per participant (for a total of twenty-four experimental observations per participant). Sixty-four filler sentences were adapted from the same source as Experiment 1 (Sprouse et al., 2013a). Participants therefore judged a total of eighty-eight sentences. The filler sentences were modified from the source so that their average length (14 words, vs. 10.6 words unmodified) was closer to the average length of the experimental sentences (17 words). Although the average filler length was 14 words, they ranged from 9 words to 21 words. Filler sentences were selected so that, including the experimental sentences, participants saw an equal number of expected grammatical sentences and expected ungrammatical sentences (fourty-four of each). Sixty-nine of the sentences were declarative, and nineteen were questions. For each list, the experimental sentences and filler sentences were randomized separately, shuffled together, and randomized again. The experiment was hosted and administered on IBEX Farm (Drummond, n.d.).

4.3 **Analysis**

A mixed effects ordinal regression model was fit to the data using a cumulative link. Ratings were used as the dependent variable, and fixed effects were set as the SUBJECT factor, DEPENDENCY TYPE factor, and their interaction. A maximal random effects structure was used. Contrast coding for the three-level SUBJECT was modified to Helmert contrast coding since extraction from a low subject (in the THERE condition) was being compared to two different cases of extraction from a high subject (in the INDEFINITE and DEFINITE conditions). The INDEFINITE and DEFINITE conditions were compared directly to each
other, which is referred to as the DEFINITENESS comparison here; and the THERE condition was compared to the combination of the other two, which is called the HEIGHT comparison here. This schema is illustrated in (38).

(38) HEIGHT

THERE DEFINITENESS

| INDEFINITE | DEFINITE |

4.4 Predictions

If only non-presuppositional DPs in non-derived positions are transparent to extraction, we expect to observe less of a penalty for extraction out of relative clauses in low subjects (in the THERE conditions) than for extraction out of relative clauses in high subjects (in the INDEFINITE and DEFINITE conditions), relative to the baseline (anaphoric) conditions. In the statistical analysis, this would surface as an interaction between DEPENDENCY TYPE and the HEIGHT comparison (THERE vs. the two high subject conditions).

If high subjects don’t tolerate subextraction no matter their definiteness, then we expect to see an equally-sized penalty for extracting out of high indefinite subject and extracting out of high definite subjects, relative to their baseline conditions. Statistically, this would result in a non-significant interaction between DEPENDENCY TYPE and the DEFINITENESS comparison (INDEFINITE vs. DEFINITE).

We expect to see main effects of DEPENDENCY TYPE, since the type of dependency involved in the formation of relative clauses is more complex than a long-distance anaphoric dependency. We do not expect to see a main effect of SUBJECT, as there is no reason that comes to mind why these slightly different types of declarative sentences would consistently differ in their acceptability.

4.5 Results

4.5.1 Version 1 (Lab)

All MOVEMENT conditions were rated substantially lower than the baseline ANAPHORIC conditions, no matter which level of the SUBJECT factor is considered. This degradation is unsurprising, since all of the MOVEMENT conditions involved movement out of a relative clause. The INDEFINITE and DEFINITE conditions received nearly identical ratings to each other, regardless of dependency type. Perhaps the most notable result is that the baseline THERE | ANAPHORIC condition was rated over one point lower than both the IN-
DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC and DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC conditions, which was unexpected. However, the THERE | MOVEMENT condition is much closer to the baseline ANAPHORIC condition compared to the two high subject conditions. These results are visualized in Figure 3.

Although there was a significantly lower degradation of the THERE | MOVEMENT conditions relative to the baseline ANAPHORIC condition, there is a possibility that the low average rating of the THERE | MOVEMENT conditions is at floor—participants on average might not have been willing to give ratings lower than 2. The concern that we may be observing a floor effect is not diffused by looking at the average ratings of the filler sentences, either. See Figure 4, which is identical to Figure 3 except that the average rating for each filler is represented as a gray horizontal line in the background of the plot. The filler ratings span a range slightly larger than the average ratings for the experimental conditions, but there are only two filler sentences with an average rating lower than the THERE | MOVEMENT conditions. Information about these filler sentences is shown in Table 4.

4. One possibility that seems likely is that the THERE conditions required a costly reanalysis. In English, it is common for existential sentences to have only a DP with a relative clause following the verb (i.e. there be DP+RC), or only a DP with a VP following the verb (there be DP V-ing ...). It may be that this post-DP material is usually interpreted as a predication on the DP, even when the post-DP material is a RC. Upon reading a sentence like one of the THERE | ANAPHORIC sentences in the present experiment, participants may have been garden-pathed, parsing the RC following the DP as a predicate, but having to reanalyze it as a restrictor within the DP when they identify a VP predicate following the material in the RC.
4.5.2 Version 2 (Mechanical Turk)

The results of a second version of this experiment run on Amazon Mechanical Turk are presented in Figure 5 as it is not entirely clear from the filler ratings whether the low ratings of the THERE | MOVEMENT conditions were artificially high due to a floor effect. The materials of Version 2 were identical to those of Version 1. A rather similar ratings pattern emerged, with the INDEFINITE and DEFINITE conditions not substantially differing from each other, and with the THERE | ANAPHORIC condition receiving a relatively low

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<th>Filler no.</th>
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<th>SD</th>
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<td>32</td>
<td>1.58</td>
<td>0.69</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>0.10</td>
<td>I expect that everyone will visit Mary that you do will.</td>
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<td>53</td>
<td>1.71</td>
<td>0.76</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>0.11</td>
<td>At that battle were given the generals who lost hell.</td>
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rating compared to the INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC and DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC conditions. The average ratings for each filler sentence in Version 2 make it clear that the rating of the THERE | MOVEMENT condition is not at floor. The average rating of the lowest filler in Version 2 was 1.63, and the average rating of the THERE | MOVEMENT condition was 2.53.

A mixed effects analysis (see Appendix B.2.2 for model information) revealed a significant main effect of HEIGHT ($p < 0.001$), which is perhaps unsurprising given the low baseline rating received by the THERE | ANAPHORIC condition. There was also a significant main effect of DEPENDENCY TYPE ($p < 0.001$), indicating a general island effect. Lastly, there was a significant interaction ($p < 0.001$) between HEIGHT and DEPENDENCY TYPE, indicating that DEPENDENCY TYPE had an effect on ratings that was significantly modulated by the height of the DP into which the dependency was constructed.

Interestingly, it doesn’t appear to be the case that the individuals who participated via Mechanical Turk used a wider range of the scale, as the two lowest filler sentences (which were the same sentences in both versions) were rated nearly the same across versions. Instead, it appears that most of the experimental conditions were rated slightly higher on average compared to Version 1. It is not clear why this difference would emerge, but I take the abundance of filler sentences rated below the THERE | MOVEMENT condition in Version 2 to indicate that there is no floor effect.
4.6 Discussion

If there is no floor effect in either version of Experiment 2, the significant interaction between DEPENDENCY TYPE and HEIGHT supports rejecting the null hypothesis that the height of the subject (which I assume relates to the DP’s presuppositionality and the derivedness of its position in this experiment) has no impact on the acceptability of forming a MOVEMENT dependency. The results are compatible with the hypothesis that RCs in existential environments are more transparent to extraction than RCs in non-existential environments. This result is surprising on the view that English bans extraction from relative clauses across the board. But on the view that English is like the languages discussed earlier in selectively allowing extraction from relative clauses, these results are not unexpected. The fact that it appears to tolerate RC subextraction in existential environments, much like the languages surveyed above, is another point in favor of a cross-linguistic explanation for this extraction pattern.

Although the results of Experiment 2 are compatible with the hypothesis that RCs in existential environments are more transparent to extraction, the design of this experiment prevents us from determining if the observed effects could be due to the presence and absence of freezing effects. It is well-known that DPs that have undergone movement become “frozen”—subextraction is no longer possible from moved DPs (see Jurka 2009, and citations therein). Since the HEIGHT comparison in this Experiment also corresponds to whether the DP in question has moved (subjects in non-existential environments raise to Spec, TP in English), it is possible that there is less of a penalty for extracting out of a RC in existential environments simply because the DP containing that RC is not frozen. Therefore, it is important to compare extraction from RCs in existential environments to extraction from RCs in other in-situ environments, such as the objects of transitive verbs. Experiment 3 attempts to fill that gap.

5 Experiment 3

Experiment 3 was designed to eliminate the potential confounds of the previous design by comparing extraction from relative clauses in three different types of in situ DPs: DPs in existential environments, DP predicates (complement of the copula), and DP objects of transitive verbs (transitive objects). This experiment returned to the length by complexity design, which allows us to calculate island effects by factoring out independent degradation caused by extraction length and the complexity of the embedded clause (island vs. non-island).

5.1 Participants

48 individuals participated in Experiment 3 via Mechanical Turk. Each participant was paid $5.00 for their participation. Two participants’ data was excluded because their average rating for ungrammatical fillers was greater than or equal to their average rating for grammatical fillers. This resulted in a total of 46 participants’ data being considered.
5.2 Materials & methods

Experiment 3 used a 2×2×3 factorial design similar to the design used in Experiment 1. As in Experiment 1, the first two factors used in Experiment 3 are STRUCTURE (NON-ISLAND, ISLAND) and LENGTH (SHORT, LONG). The third factor introduced a comparison between three different syntactic-semantic environments for the DP out of which RC subextraction occurs: a transitive object environment (OBJECT), a non-verbal predicate environment (PREDICATE), and an existential environment (EXISTENTIAL). Using the NON-ISLAND | SHORT conditions as baselines, we can calculate island violation penalties independently from penalties for extraction length and complexity, as discussed in §3.

The combination of these factors results in a total of 12 conditions per item. 36 items were created, one of which is given in (39). All item conditions were WH-questions. Across all conditions, one of six CP-embedding matrix verbs was used (think, say, hope, believe, claim, or know). The CP complement of the matrix verb contained one of the three different environments tested. It was necessary to embed these environments in a CP for maximum comparability across environments; were this not done, there would be no SHORT conditions for the EXISTENTIAL environment, since the expletive DP there would occupy the matrix subject position and could not undergo WH-movement for question formation.

(39) EXPERIMENT 3 SAMPLE ITEM

a. Who thinks that Courtney saw that only one art collector bid on this painting?
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which painting do you think that Courtney saw that only one art collector bid on?
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who thinks that Courtney saw the only art collector who bid on this painting?
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which painting do you think that Courtney saw the only art collector who bid on?
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who thinks that Courtney believes that only one art collector bid on this painting?
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which painting do you think that Courtney believes that only one art collector bid on?
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who thinks that Courtney believes that she is the only art collector who bid on this painting?
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which painting do you think that Courtney believes that she is the only art collector who bid on?
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

i. Who thinks that there is only one art collector bidding on this painting?
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

j. Which painting do you think that there is only one art collector bidding on?
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
k. Who thinks that there is only one art collector who bid on this painting?

l. Which painting do you think that there is only one art collector who bid on?

In all PREDICATE conditions (39e-39h), the main verb of the first embedded clause had another CP complement. In the PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND conditions, this was the final embedded clause, but in the PREDICATE | ISLAND conditions, this second embedded clause contained a non-verbal (DP) predicate that contained a relative clause. Although this resulted in the PREDICATE | ISLAND conditions containing three embedded clauses (two CP complements to V, and one RC) and the PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND conditions containing only two embedded clauses (two CP complements to V), it allowed the predication in the embedded clause to remain relatively similar across the ISLAND and NON-ISLAND PREDICATE conditions. This was based on the assumption that the copula be is trivial to compute as a predicate compared to a CP-embedding verb like believe. Without balancing the predication relations in this way, the PREDICATE | ISLAND conditions would be less comparable to the PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND conditions due to the more trivial computation required for the embedded verb. The predication relations for these conditions are illustrated schematically in (40); compare to (41), which shows the predication relations that would be involved if a second embedded clause were not used in the PREDICATE | ISLAND conditions.

(40) Balanced predication (PREDICATE condition)
   a. ISLAND [WH ... think [CP ... believe [CP [DP be [DP [RC ]]]]]]
   b. NON-ISLAND [WH ... think [CP ... believe [CP [DP ] V [DP ]]]]

(41) Unbalanced predication (PREDICATE condition)
   a. ISLAND [WH ... think [CP ... be [DP [RC ]]]]
   b. NON-ISLAND [WH ... think [CP ... believe [CP [DP ] V [DP ]]]]

In the EXISTENTIAL conditions (39i-39l), the same CP-embedding matrix predicate was used, and this embedded clause contained the existential there construction. In the EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND conditions, the pivot of the existential is the external argument of a (present participial) verb. In the EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND conditions, the pivot of the existential is a DP followed by a relative clause which hosts the same verb as the NON-ISLAND version. These conditions are presented schematically in (42), abstracting away from the extraction length factor.

(42) EXISTENTIAL conditions
   a. ISLAND [WH ... think [CP there be [DP [RC who V [DP ]]]]]
   b. NON-ISLAND [WH ... think [CP there be [DP ] V-ing [DP ]]]
For the **OBJECT** conditions (39a-39d), main verbs were chosen for the first embedded clause that are compatible with either CP or DP complements and don’t seem to be too biased towards one complement type. In the **OBJECT ISLAND** conditions, this verb had a DP complement that contained a relative clause, and in the **OBJECT NON-ISLAND** conditions, the verb had a CP complement.

Every experimental condition contained the word *only* as part of the DP used as the head of the relative clause in the **ISLAND** conditions. This was done because the presence of *only* seems to improve extraction from relative clauses and may ensure a non-presuppositional reading (Ivy Sichel, p.c.). The use of the definite article alone is typically taken to presuppose that there is a unique, contextually salient individual that satisfies the NP restrictor. Adding *only* to a *the*-DP raises the presupposition that there exists a unique individual that satisfies the NP restrictor to an assertion (at-issue entailment), making the DP non-presupposed. In the **ISLAND** conditions except for those in the **EXISTENTIAL** environment, the DP contained the definite article followed by *only* (*the only*+NP). In all other conditions, the DP consisted of *only one*+NP.

The use of *only one*+NP in certain conditions was necessary to ensure grammaticality in the **EXISTENTIAL** conditions (due to the definiteness restriction: Milsark 1974) and to ensure naturalness in the **NON-ISLAND** conditions. When *the only*+NP is not followed by a relative clause, it seems to lose its non-presuppositional status and becomes somewhat infelicitous. Furthermore, maintaining *the only*+NP across both **ISLAND** and **NON-ISLAND** conditions results in the **NON-ISLAND** conditions having different entailments (43), but switching to *only one*+NP in the **NON-ISLAND** conditions allows the entailments to remain constant (44).

(43) Unbalanced entailments (*a ≠ b*)

a. *…she is the only art collector who bid on this painting.* → *out of potentially many art collectors, there is one who bid on the painting*

b. *…the only art collector bid on this painting.* → *there is only one art collector, and that art collector bid on the painting*

(44) Balanced entailments (*a = b*)

a. *…she is the only art collector who bid on this painting.* → *out of potentially many art collectors, there is one who bid on the painting*

b. *…only one art collector bid on this painting.* → *out of potentially many art collectors, there is one who bid on the painting*

### 5.2.1 Filler sentences

Filler sentences for Experiment 3 were again taken from the same source as Experiments 1 and 2 (Sprouse et al. 2013a). A total of 72 filler sentences were used. Sentences were adjusted for length as before, and some new sentences were created for an appropriate balance of ungrammatical and grammatical sentences, and questions and declaratives. Considering both experimental and filler sentences, each participant rated 108 sentences,
half of which were questions, half of which were declaratives. Half of the total number of sentences were expected to be grammatical, and half were expected to be grammatical. Since all of the experimental sentences contained the word only, half of the fillers were modified to contain only, so that out of the 108 sentences each participant rated, 72 sentences contained only and 36 did not.

5.3 Analysis

A mixed effects ordinal regression model with a cumulative link was fit to the data. The dependent variable was set to rating, and the Environment, Structure, and Length factors, as well as their interactions, were set as fixed effects. A maximal random effects structure was used.

For the three-level Environment factor, contrast coding was modified to Helmert contrast coding. This was done because of the expectation that the Existential and Predicate conditions would display similar patterns, since previous work identified these two environments as being compatible with non-presuppositional DPs. Thus, the Existential and Predicate conditions were compared directly to each other. This comparison is referred to as the BE comparison, since both of these conditions have the copula be immediately before the DP containing the RC. The mean of these conditions was compared to the Object condition, which is referred to as the Transitivity comparison. These comparisons are illustrated with the graphic in (45).

(45) TRANSITIVITY

OBJECT

BE

PREDICATE

EXISTENTIAL

Three separate mixed effects ordinal regression cumulative link models were fit using data from each environment (Object, Predicate, and Existential). The rating was set as the dependent variable, and Structure and Length, as well as their interactions, were set as fixed effects. A maximal random effects structure was used for each separate model.

5.4 Predictions

Since the Island Long conditions involve extraction out of a RC and this is generally known to result in degradation, these conditions are expected to be rated significantly lower than the other conditions. In the statistical analysis, this would show up as an interaction between Length and Structure.
On the hypothesis that both the EXISTENTIAL and PREDICATE conditions are more tolerant of RC subextraction than the OBJECT condition, we expect to see a significant three-way interaction between STRUCTURE, LENGTH, and the TRANSITIVITY comparison (refer to (45)). If the EXISTENTIAL and PREDICATE environments tolerate RC subextraction completely, we expect not to find a significant interaction between LENGTH and STRUCTURE for those environments individually. We expect the OBJECT environment not to tolerate RC subextraction, so for that environment, we predict a significant interaction between LENGTH and STRUCTURE.

If either the EXISTENTIAL or PREDICATE conditions is more tolerant of RC subextraction than the other, we expect to see a significant three-way interaction between LENGTH, STRUCTURE, and the BE comparison. We have no reason to find one of these environments more transparent than the other.

Finally, if RCs are completely tolerant of subextraction in existential and predicate nominal environments, we expect not to find a statistically significant interaction between length and structure in separate analyses run on data from each individual environment.

5.5 Results

Overall, the collection of OBJECT conditions received the lowest ratings, followed by the PREDICATE conditions, followed by the EXISTENTIAL conditions. Each environment had a significant effect on ratings, as the analysis revealed significant main effects of both the BE comparison and the TRANSITIVITY comparison ($p < 0.001$). Aside from this, each environment has a roughly similar ratings pattern that is more or less familiar from Experiment 1: the ISLAND | LONG conditions are rated the lowest for each environment, followed by the NON-ISLAND | LONG conditions. Both length and structure had significant main effects ($p < 0.001$).

In both OBJECT | SHORT conditions, STRUCTURE appears to have had no impact on ratings, as is also the case in the PREDICATE | SHORT conditions. In the EXISTENTIAL | SHORT conditions, however, the NON-ISLAND and ISLAND levels pull apart in the expected way, with the NON-ISLAND | SHORT condition being rated slightly higher than the ISLAND | SHORT condition. The means for each condition are presented in Figure 6. The error bars in the plot represent standard error.

The ISLAND | LONG conditions are rated lowest for each environment, and they are rated much lower than the NON-ISLAND | LONG conditions relative to the SHORT conditions. This is the expected island effect, and in the mixed effects analysis, it showed up as a significant interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH ($p < 0.001$).

Considering the noticeable island effect for each ENVIRONMENT, one will also notice that the island effect appears to be more pronounced in the OBJECT environment relative to the other two environments. Compared to the other environments, the ISLAND | LONG condition is rated much lower. To more easily observe the island effect observed for each environment, a difference-in-differences (DD) score is calculated for each environment and presented in Table 7. The DD scores are calculated based on z-scores for maximum comparability across participants. The DD score is calculated as laid out in §3.

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5. Z-scores were calculated using the following procedure. All ratings data (including experimental sen-
As can be seen in Table 7, the DD score for the OBJECT environment is substantially higher than those for the PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL environments. This difference between environments was statistically significant in the mixed effects analysis, showing up as an interaction between the TRANSITIVITY comparison, STRUCTURE, and LENGTH ($p = 0.0104$).

In the mixed effects analysis run on separated data from each environment, the interaction between LENGTH and STRUCTURE was significant for the OBJECT environment ($p < 0.001$) and EXISTENTIAL environment ($p = 0.0375$), but not significant for the PREDICATE environment ($p = 0.1241$).

### 5.6 Discussion

The results of Experiment 3 suggest that RCs are significantly more transparent to extraction in both existential and predicate nominal environments as compared to transitive sentences and fillers) was separated by participant, and z-scores were calculated for each rating. The data was recombed and then grouped by item and condition, and a mean z-score was calculated for each item and condition. Based on this mean, another mean z-score was calculated for each condition, averaging across items.
Table 7: Calculating DD scores (Island scores) for each environment

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<th>ENVIRONMENT</th>
<th>NON-ISLAND</th>
<th>SHORT</th>
<th>ISLAND</th>
<th>LONG</th>
<th>D1 (COMPLEXITY + ISL. VIOL.)</th>
<th>D2 (COMPLEXITY)</th>
<th>DD (ISL. VIOL.)</th>
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<td>OBJECT</td>
<td>0.17</td>
<td>0.09</td>
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<td>0.04</td>
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<td>EXISTENTIAL</td>
<td>0.85</td>
<td>0.42</td>
<td>0.71</td>
<td>0.02</td>
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<td>0.14</td>
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object environments. As seen in the DD table, the island score for the OBJECT environment is markedly higher than the other two environments, which is expected under the hypothesis that relative clauses in existential and predicate nominal environments are more transparent to extraction than those in transitive object environments.

The DD scores from Experiments 1 and Experiments 3 are combined in Table 8 for comparison with DD scores for a number of other length by complexity studies on Wh-islands (visualized in Figure 7). Note that the predicate nominal DD score from Experiment 3 is one of the lowest DD scores in the table, even among DD scores from languages whose Wh-constructions are claimed not to be islands.

Although the DD scores of the predicate nominal and existential environments are among the lowest of the DD scores in Table 8, the DD scores are not zero, which indicates that there is still an interaction between length and structure—an island effect, even if it is small. Although the interaction between LENGTH and STRUCTURE was not significant for the PREDICATE environments ($p = 0.1241$), indicating no significant island effect, the interaction was significant for the EXISTENTIAL environments ($p = 0.0375$). This suggests that an island effect may remain, but it is possible that the interaction is due to another factor.

The possibility I would like to consider here follows certain assumptions made in Dependency Locality Theory (Gibson 2000). Processing new discourse referents is costly, since a new representation needs to be formed for the discourse referent, and this discourse referent needs to be integrated into the partially completed parse of the sentence. Events denoted by verbs are assumed to be new discourse referents, and the tense of the verb may also be an independent discourse referent (e.g. under views in which tense is an anaphor). Unresolved dependencies (such as the dependency of a filler phrase and its gap) must be kept active in memory, and integrating new discourse referents while maintaining an active dependency can strain the available resources, resulting in processing difficulty and possibly degradation that could be detected in an acceptability judgment task like the one used here.
Table 8: Combined DD scores for Experiments 1 and 3, and other length × complexity work on WH-islands as cited in Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher (2018)

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<tr>
<th>Language</th>
<th>Source</th>
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<td>English</td>
<td>Exp. 1: Def. trans. object</td>
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<td>Exp. 1: Indef. trans. object</td>
<td>–1.14</td>
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<td>Exp. 3: Transitive obj.</td>
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<td>Exp. 3: Predicate nominal</td>
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<td>Exp. 3: Existential</td>
<td>0.02</td>
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<td>Exp. 1: Bare WH</td>
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<td>−0.27</td>
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The following experiment replaces finite RCs with infinitival RCs in an effort to reduce potential processing difficulty arising from maintaining a dependency while processing the tense of a finite RC. If the interaction between LENGTH and STRUCTURE in the EXISTENTIAL conditions is due to grammatical island constraints and not to the sort of processing challenges just hypothesized, the same kind of interaction between LENGTH and STRUCTURE is predicted.

6 Experiment 4

Experiment 4 replaces finite RCs with infinitival RCs (46). The length by complexity design is maintained, but the transitive object environment is dropped due to ambiguity confounds that arise for the baseline condition. Although the transitive object conditions
are not at all required to calculate DD scores for the predicate nominal and existential conditions, another experiment with an alternative design was run concurrently that allows some measurement of the degradation of RC subextractions from infinitival RCs in the transitive object environment. This experiment is discussed in §7.

(46) a. I’ve met one person [who has traveled to Swaziland].  
    FINITE RC  
 b. I’ve met one person [to have traveled to Swaziland].  
    INFINITIVAL RC

6.1 Participants

59 undergraduate students in lower-division linguistics classes participated in Experiment 4. They received course credit for their participation. Thirteen participants’ data was excluded because they self-reported as non-native English speakers. An additional participant self-reported as a non-native English speaker but indicated in the language questionnaire portion that they started learning both English and Spanish at 2–3 years old, so this participant’s data was included. A total of 46 participants’ data was used in the analysis.

6.2 Materials & methods

Experiment 4 used a 2×2×2 factorial length by complexity design. As such, the first two factors are STRUCTURE (NON-ISLAND, ISLAND) and LENGTH (SHORT, LONG). The ENVIRONMENT factor had PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL as its levels. As before, with ratings for each condition in each environment, island violation penalties can be calculated for RCs in each environment.

This design results in 8 conditions per item. 32 items were created; a sample item is given in (47). As in the previous experiment, all experimental conditions were WH-questions. The same CP-embedding verbs matrix verbs that were used in Experiment 3 were re-used here. The predicate nominal or existential environment occurred within the embedded CP for the same reason as in Experiment 3—placing the relevant environment in the matrix clause would bar the creation of a SHORT condition for the existential environment since the existential expletive there cannot undergo WH-movement.

(47) EXPERIMENT 4 SAMPLE ITEM  
 a. Who thinks that Mary believes only one senator to have watched this show?  
    PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT  
 b. Which show do you think that Mary believes only one senator to have watched?  
    PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG  
 c. Who thinks that Mary believes that she is the only senator to have watched this show?  
    PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT  
 d. Which show do you think that Mary believes that she is the only senator to have watched?  
    PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who thinks that Mary believes that there is only one senator watching this show?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which show do you think that Mary believes that there is only one senator watching? EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who thinks that Mary believes that there is only one senator to have watched this show?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which show do you think that Mary believes that there is only one senator to have watched? EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

In all conditions, a second CP-embedding verb was added that is compatible with either a finite or non-finite (ECM) clause complement (either declare, find, prove, believe, allege, imagine, assume, or expect, each used in four different items). In the PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND conditions, this verb had an ECM complement, and in the PREDICATE | ISLAND conditions, the verb had a finite CP complement with an infinitival RC inside it.

As in Experiment 3, the PREDICATE | ISLAND conditions had an additional clause boundary compared to their corresponding NON-ISLAND conditions. The number of sentential complements was maintained in these conditions, but the ISLAND conditions also contained a relative clause, increasing the number of clause boundaries by one compared to the NON-ISLAND conditions. The motivation for this was that the computation of the ISLAND conditions’ copular clause would be trivial to compute, so maintaining the second CP-embedding verb (believe in the sample item in (47)) would keep the number of event discourse referents to construct roughly equivalent across the ISLAND and NON-ISLAND conditions (refer back to §5.2 for a more in-depth explanation).

In the EXISTENTIAL conditions, the same CP-embedding predicates were used, and the existential environment was in the most embedded CP complement. The EXISTENTIAL conditions had one more CP layer than the EXISTENTIAL conditions in Experiment 3. The mean length for Experiment 4’s conditions was 15.5 words.

When constructing the items for Experiment 4, items were recycled from Experiment 3 if they sounded natural with infinitival RCs, but some items were created from scratch. Non-finite clauses were all constructed with the perfect auxiliary have, as this seemed to improve the naturalness of all non-finite clauses, facilitating ECM interpretations for the PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND conditions and removing the potential for purpose readings of the non-finite RCs.

With the predicate find, using the perfect aspect prevented an ambiguity between an ECM reading and purpose reading and forced the ECM reading.

6. In the Reichenbachian view of tense and aspect (Reichenbach 1947), aspect locates an event time relative to a reference time, and tense locates a reference time relative to an utterance time. None of the experimental sentences used future tense in the clauses above the non-finite clause, so the reference time was always placed at or before the time of utterance. Perfect aspect locates the event time prior to the reference time, and since the reference time was always at or prior to utterance time, the event time was necessarily prior to the time of utterance. Since purpose RCs are future-oriented, using the perfect aspect in the infinitival RCs made a purpose reading implausible. Consider (i) for example and the infelicity of (ib) relative to (ia).

(i) a. We hired a plumber to fix the sink.

b. #We hired a plumber to have fixed the sink. (On the purpose reading.)
Figure 8: Ratings of fillers by filler ID, arranged on the x-axis by the mean z-scored rating the filler received in the Experiment 4/5 run. Each blue curve represents ratings for fillers in one run. Gray shading around blue curves represents standard error.

Aside from the changes noted, the materials for Experiment 4 were the same as those for Experiment 3.

6.2.1 Filler sentences

A total of 72 filler sentences were used. Most of these were identical to the filler sentences in Experiment 3, but 14 of them were modified for clause type and/or grammaticality so that the total number of acceptable interrogatives, unacceptable interrogatives, acceptable declaratives, and unacceptable declatives seen by any participant was even (32 of each, including sentences from Experiment 5, which was run concurrently). See §5.2.1 for more information on the fillers carried over from Experiment 3.

Figure 8 shows how the same fillers were rated in the Experiment 3 run versus the Experiment 4 and 5 run. As the figure shows, the ratings were roughly equivalent.

6.3 Analysis

A mixed effects ordinal regression model with a cumulative link was fit to the data. The dependent variable was set to rating, and the ENVIRONMENT, STRUCTURE, and LENGTH factors and their interactions were set as fixed effects. A maximal random effects structure was used.

A separate mixed effects ordinal regression cumulative link model was fit using data only from the existential environment. This model was otherwise the same as the first
6.4 Predictions

As before, we expect the ISLAND | LONG conditions to be rated lowest, since the combined length and complexity factor levels are likely to make these conditions the most challenging to process. If RCs in predicate nominal and existential environments are not islands and if the presence of tense in the RCs in Experiment 3 was enough to make the interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH significant, then we predict the absence of tense in the infinitival RCs in the current experiment to minimize the interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH in either a combined or separated analysis.

6.5 Results

Overall, the PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL conditions were roughly equivalent, and there was not a significant main effect of ENVIRONMENT ($p = 0.458$). The LONG conditions were unsurprisingly rated lower than the SHORT conditions. The effect of length was significant ($p < 0.001$) and was not influenced by ENVIRONMENT.

Unexpectedly, the mean rating for the baseline PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT condition was lower than that for the corresponding ISLAND condition. In the analysis, there was a significant interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH ($p = 0.047$). Because the baseline condition in the PREDICATE conditions was lower than expected, an analysis was run separately on only the data from the EXISTENTIAL environment. In this analysis, there was a main effect of LENGTH ($p < 0.001$), but there was not a main effect of STRUCTURE ($p = 0.486$), and the interaction between LENGTH and STRUCTURE was not significant ($p = 0.563$). Coefficient estimates for both models are given in Appendix B.4. The mean ratings are shown in Figure 9.

The DD scores are presented in Table 9 for both environments, and plotted against the Experiment 3 DD scores in Figure 10. The DD score from the EXISTENTIAL environment in the current experiment is the lowest of all the environments tested so far and is just above the Hebrew subject extractions tested in Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher (2018). The DD score for the PREDICATE environment in the current experiment is basically on par with the EXISTENTIAL environment in Experiment 3; however, this score may be inflated because of the nature of the baseline construction used for the PREDICATE conditions. This will be discussed further in §6.6.

6.6 Discussion

For infinitival RCs in the EXISTENTIAL environment, it appears difficult to maintain the hypothesis that RC subextraction is banned. The DD score is quite low, and the interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH was found to be insignificant ($p = 0.563$). For the EXISTENTIAL environment in Experiment 3, the interaction was significant. Since the crucial change that was made in Experiment 4 was the conversion of finite RCs to infinitival RCs, this result suggests that the absence of tense in infinitival RCs may reduce some
Figure 9: Mean rating by LENGTH and STRUCTURE, faceted by ENVIRONMENT. Error bars represent standard errors. Margin ticks represent mean ratings for each filler. Horizontal lines represent mean ratings for grammatical and ungrammatical fillers, with standard errors given as lighter horizontal lines.

Table 9: Calculating DD scores (Island scores) for each environment (Experiment 4)

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<tr>
<th>ENVIRONMENT</th>
<th>NON-ISLAND</th>
<th>SHORT</th>
<th>NON-ISLAND</th>
<th>LONG</th>
<th>ISLAND</th>
<th>SHORT</th>
<th>ISLAND</th>
<th>LONG</th>
<th>D1 (COMPLEXITY + ISL. VIOL.)</th>
<th>D2 (COMPLEXITY)</th>
<th>DD (ISL. VIOL.)</th>
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<td>PREDICATE</td>
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<td>0.10</td>
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<td>0.13</td>
<td>–0.15</td>
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<td>EXISTENTIAL</td>
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<td>0.02</td>
<td>0.26</td>
<td>–0.11</td>
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of the processing that occurs while a dependency is still actively being maintained (after the filler phrase is encountered and before it has been integrated with the gap location). On the assumption that this effect is a separate phenomenon from grammatical island constraints, this result suggests that RCs in existential environments are not islands.

As mentioned in the previous subsection, the DD for the PREDICATE environment in Experiment 4 (0.28) was higher than the DD for the same environment in Experiment 3 (0.16). The likely explanation for this is that the baseline condition for this environment (the NON-ISLAND | SHORT condition) received a mean rating that was lower than the ISLAND | SHORT condition. The baseline condition sinking below the other SHORT condition would cause an increase in the overall DD score.

The difference between the NON-ISLAND | SHORT and ISLAND | SHORT conditions (also called D2 here) is intended to give an estimate of the cost of processing the island structure without considering extraction from it. Since the NON-ISLAND baseline was lower then the corresponding ISLAND condition, the structure chosen as the baseline for the PREDICATE conditions was probably not a good baseline. Selecting an appropriate baseline is the most challenging for the PREDICATE environment because there is not a good non-island alternative to a relative clause in a nominal predicate. In this case, a decent non-island counterpart to an infinitival RC is the non-finite clausal complement of an ECM verb, as shown in the two PREDICATE | SHORT conditions in (48), repeated from (47). However, the relatively low rating of the ECM baseline suggests that there is something marked about the construction, perhaps related to frequency of use or the availability of

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Figure 10: DD scores of Experiment 4 environments (black bars) vs. Experiment 1 and 3 environments (gray bars)
a finite clause alternative.

(48)  a. Who thinks that Mary believes only one senator to have watched this show?
     PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

    b. Who thinks that Mary believes that she is the only senator to have watched this show?
     PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

Even though there is some uncertainty due to the baseline issue, the DD for the PREDICATE environment is still relatively low, and the baseline issue means that the strength of an RC island in this environment (as estimated by the DD score) is overestimated, but it is not possible to say how much it is overestimated.

In summary, it appears that removing tense from an RC, at least in an existential context, reduces parsing challenges to the extent that there is no longer a significant interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH—nothing that can be pinpointed as an island effect. However, this conclusion doesn’t mean much if it is only about one environment. The results from Experiment 3 suggested that RCs only become more transparent to extraction in certain contexts, and these findings were in line with research on other languages like Hebrew and the Scandinavian languages. Since we were unable to consider how infinitival RCs in EXISTENTIAL and PREDICATE environments compare to transitive OBJECT environments, this experiment can’t tell us if infinitival RCs are simply never islands, or if they are only non-islands in certain environments. Experiment 5, run at the same time as Experiment 4, aims to answer this question.

7 Experiment 5

The transitive OBJECT context couldn’t be fit into Experiment 4 due to ambiguities that arose in the ISLAND conditions, so Experiment 4 was unable to tell us whether infinitival RCs are non-islands in certain contexts or whether they are non-islands everywhere. So that we could get some idea of how infinitival RCs tolerate subextraction in transitive object environments compared to another environment, Experiment 5 used the dependency type design of Experiment 2 to compare infinitival RCs in the OBJECT environment to those in a PREDICATE environment.

7. Much like in the OBJECT conditions for Experiment 3, the initial goal for the OBJECT conditions in Experiment 4 was to select verbs that could take either a clausal complement or a DP complement. The ambiguity that arose was that when the intended parse had a DP complement with an infinitival RC inside of it, there was almost always an ECM interpretation available. Consider the two possible readings of (i), for instance.

(i) Who thinks that Mary believes the only senator to have watched this show?
    a. RC parse ≈ …believes the only senator that has watched this show.
    b. ECM parse ≈ …believes about the only senator; that he, has watched this show.

    When the DP begins with the only senator, an RC parse seems to be favored, and when it begins with only one senator, an ECM parse seems to be favored, but because there is still an alternative parse with a different meaning, it didn’t seem to be a good idea to include the OBJECT environment.
7.1 Participants

Experiment 5 was given at the same time as Experiment 4 to the same 59 undergraduate students. Thirteen participants’ data was excluded because the participant self-reported as a non-native English speaker. 46 participants’ data was used in the analysis.

7.2 Materials & methods

Experiment 5 employed a 2×2 factorial design, a version of which was first used in Experiment 2. This design uses a referential dependency for the baseline conditions, and these were compared to a long-distance movement dependency. The nature of the design allows all conditions to contain RCs (there are no ISLAND conditions). The DEPENDENCY factor’s levels were ANAPHORIC and MOVEMENT, and the ENVIRONMENT factor’s levels were OBJECT and PREDICATE. All of these conditions were declarative sentences, and their mean length was 13.3—about 2.3 words shorter than the mean length for Experiment 4’s conditions.

In the MOVEMENT dependency conditions, subextraction was triggered for RC formation, instead of for WH-question formation as in Experiment 4. The matrix verb was the copula, and its DP complement contained the first RC layer. In the ANAPHORIC dependency conditions, the matrix copula was replaced with a CP-complement-taking verb. This eliminated the highest RC layer, allowing the gap in the MOVEMENT conditions to be replaced with a pronoun that is intended to be co-referent with the matrix subject. A sample item is given in (49).

(49) EXPERIMENT 5 SAMPLE ITEM

a. Bill Nye is someone that Vivian is the only scientist to have condemned.
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT

b. Bill Nye claims that Vivian is the only scientist to have condemned him.
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC

c. Bill Nye is someone that Vivian interviewed the only scientist to have condemned.
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT

d. Bill Nye claims that Vivian interviewed the only scientist to have condemned him.
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

7.2.1 Filler sentences

Since it was run simultaneously with Experiment 4, Experiment 5 had the same fillers as Experiment 4.

7.3 Analysis

A mixed effects ordinal regression model with a cumulative link was fit to the data from Experiment 5. The dependent variable was set to rating, and the ENVIRONMENT and
DEPENDENCY factors and their interactions were set as fixed effects. A maximal random effects structure was used. The coefficient estimates are given in §B.5.

7.4 Predictions

We expect to see an island effect for the OBJECT conditions but not for the PREDICATE conditions. In this design, an island effect would occur as a main effect of DEPENDENCY. If RCs the OBJECT and PREDICATE environments are substantially different in transparency to extraction, this would surface as an interaction between DEPENDENCY and ENVIRONMENT. Given the lower overall ratings that OBJECT conditions have received compared to PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL conditions, we also expect to find a main effect of ENVIRONMENT.

7.5 Results

Mean ratings for Experiment 5 are shown in Figure [11]. Regardless of DEPENDENCY, the OBJECT conditions were rated lower than the PREDICATE conditions. This was significant as a main effect of ENVIRONMENT ($p = 0.001$). As expected, MOVEMENT conditions were rated lower overall than ANAPHORIC conditions. This difference was significant as a main effect of DEPENDENCY ($p < 0.001$).

The prediction that the OBJECT conditions would exhibit an island effect but the PREDICATE conditions wouldn’t was not borne out, as there was no significant interaction between DEPENDENCY and ENVIRONMENT ($p = 0.673$). Coefficient estimates for the model are given in Appendix B.5.

The experimental conditions for Experiment 5 evidently received a wider range of ratings than those for Experiment 4. The Experiment 4 conditions received mean ratings in between the mean ratings of the ungrammatical and grammatical fillers, but the PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC condition of Experiment 5 was rated substantially higher than the average grammatical filler sentence, and the OBJECT | MOVEMENT condition was rated slightly below the average ungrammatical filler. Since Experiments 4 and 5 were run concurrently with the same filler sentences, the mean filler ratings shown in Figures [9] and [11] are in the same position.

Although there were some individual filler sentences whose mean ratings were higher than the PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC condition’s mean rating and some whose mean ratings were lower than the OBJECT | MOVEMENT condition’s mean rating (as shown by the margin ticks in Figure [11]), the extremeness of the highest- and lowest-rated conditions in Experiment 5 raises a concern about possible ceiling and floor effects. If some or all participants were unwilling to use all of the scale, it is possible that an interaction between ENVIRONMENT and DEPENDENCY was present but could not be detected in the ratings.

To gain insight into the relationship between the scale used by a participant and the degree of interaction between ENVIRONMENT and DEPENDENCY, two measures were derived and plotted against each other. First, a filler difference score was calculated by subject. This score was the difference between a participant’s average grammatical filler rating and average ungrammatical filler rating. Next, an interaction score was calculated by subject, which was a difference of two differences—the difference between
the two MOVEMENT conditions and the difference between the two ANAPHORIC conditions. An interaction of the predicted type (in which the difference between the two MOVEMENT conditions is greater than the difference between the two ANAPHORIC conditions) would result in a positive interaction score. This is not the only type of interaction that would result in a positive interaction score so interactions of the predicted type (positive difference between MOVEMENT conditions greater than positive difference between ANAPHORIC conditions) were coded by subject as “predicted”, those of the inverse type (positive difference between ANAPHORIC conditions greater than positive difference between MOVEMENT conditions) were coded as “inverse”, and other interactions were coded as “other”. These are plotted by subject in Figure 12.

8. For instance, if each OBJECT condition were rated higher than its corresponding PREDICATE condition, the two differences used to calculate the interaction score would be negative. If this was the case, and the difference between the two ANAPHORIC conditions was greater than the difference between the two MOVEMENT conditions, the interaction score would be positive even though the interaction is not the predicted type.

9. The interaction scores were sorted according to the slope of a line determined by solving $y = mx + b$ for $m$, for $b =$ the difference between the ANAPHORIC conditions, $x =$ the difference between the MOVEMENT conditions, and $y = 0$. Interactions of the predicted type resulted in slopes greater than −1 and less than or equal to 0. Interactions of the inverse type resulted in slopes less than −1. “Other” interactions had

Figure 11: Experiment 5 ratings by DEPENDENCY and ENVIRONMENT. Error bars represent standard errors. Margin ticks represent mean ratings for each filler. Horizontal lines represent mean ratings for grammatical and ungrammatical fillers, with standard errors given as lighter horizontal lines.
Figure 12: Correlation between the difference of a subject’s grammatical and ungrammatical sentences and the degree of interaction in the subject’s ratings.

Figure 12 shows that participants that use a wider range of the scale (as determined by the filler difference score) tend to have the expected kind of interaction between ENVIRONMENT and DEPENDENCY, while those that use a narrower range of the scale tend to have the inverse of the expected kind of interaction.

7.6 Discussion

The results of Experiment 5 are inconclusive. The lack of a significant interaction between ENVIRONMENT and DEPENDENCY suggests on the face that infinitival RCs in both PREDICATE and OBJECT environments are equally transparent to extraction. This casts doubt on the assumption that infinitival RCs are exactly parallel to finite RCs except for their lack of tense—infinitival RCs could be structurally different on a way that ends up facilitating subextraction in any environment, in contrast to the findings for finite RCs.

However, it is possible that the lack of a significant interaction between ENVIRONMENT and DEPENDENCY is due to a floor effect. Figure 12 showed that participants that used a wider range of the ratings scale tended to give ratings with an interaction of the expected kind, whereas those that used a narrower range gave ratings with different kinds of interactions: interactions of the inverse kind (in which there was a greater difference

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slopes greater than zero or slopes equal to zero if $x$ was negative. Figure 13 in Appendix D shows these parameters by subject and organizes them by the slope of the line drawn through the $x$- and $y$-intercepts of the lines that meet at the plotted points.
between the ANAPHORIC conditions than the MOVEMENT conditions) and interactions in which either one or both of the OBJECT conditions was rated above the corresponding PREDICATE condition.

If participants who use a smaller range of the scale give ratings exhibiting an inverse type of interaction, the difference between the MOVEMENT conditions is smaller than the difference between the ANAPHORIC conditions, which suggests that it is primarily the lower end of the ratings scale that is compressed when participants use a narrower range of the scale (a floor effect). When participants use a wider range of the scale, it is the lower range of the scale that tends to expand, giving rise to the predicted kind of interaction. If both ends of the scale were compressed equally when participants use a smaller range, the interaction should tend to remain constant, but this is not what is observed (since the line fit to the points in Figure 12 is not horizontal.)

In summary, no significant interaction was found, so it is difficult to form any conclusions about whether infinitival RCs exhibit an island effect when subextraction occurs from a transitive object environment. In turn, it is also difficult to form conclusions about the results of Experiment 4, since we do not know if infinitival RCs are simply very weak islands in any environment. However, the interaction at least seemed to be going in the predicted direction for participants whose ratings exhibited less of a floor effect. Experiment 5 could be improved by running a follow-up experiment with the same materials but without the materials for Experiment 4, and perhaps with fillers that matched the materials in length more closely.

8 General discussion

The findings from both Experiment 2 and Experiment 3 indicate that cases of extraction from RCs receive less of an acceptability penalty when that RC is in an existential or predicate nominal. Experiment 2 indicates that cases of extraction from RCs embedded in the pivot of an existential environment receive less of a penalty than similar extractions from RCs embedded in high subjects. Experiment 3 showed that even when compared to extraction from RCs within the object of a transitive verb (which is presumably in situ, and should not be frozen), extraction from an RC in the pivot of an existential still receives a comparatively small penalty. Experiment 3 also showed that cases of extraction from an RC in the DP predicate of a copular clause pattern with the existential cases.

These findings are compatible with the claim that RCs are not always strong islands and are more transparent to extraction in particular environments, squaring English with the range of languages discussed in §2 and validating claims from limited earlier work on English such as Chung and McCloskey (1983). The claim that RCs are not always strong islands is noteworthy for a number of reasons, one of which is historical. When it first emerged in the generative linguistics literature (to my knowledge, starting with Erteschik-Shir 1973) that Danish would present a problem for Ross’s Complex NP Constraint, Danish was perhaps thought to be an exception[10]. Even though particular languages may be exceptional in some way, generative linguists, striving to build a uni-

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10. In her dissertation (1973), Erteschik-Shir refers to Danish as an exceptional language in this regard.
versal theory, take exceptions as evidence that the theory needs to be modified in some way. Based on the apparent Danish exceptions (and the generalizations she identified), Erteschik-Shir concluded that the structural constraint (like the Complex NP Constraint) must be abandoned altogether, and a nonstructural generalization must be developed that can capture both the generalizations and the apparent exceptions. Others have concluded either that the structural constraints need to be fine-tuned or parameterized in some way, or that processing principles should explain the apparent variation.

As more languages were identified that behaved like Danish (starting with other Scandinavian languages\(^\text{11}\)), it became apparent that there may be a whole class of languages that are exceptional in this way. In the literature that discusses such exceptional languages, English is often considered as the non-exception—the language that is the least problematic for the Complex NP Constraint and its later reformulations. Now that it is apparent that English may exhibit the same effects as the “exceptional” languages, it is even more clear that a cross-linguistic explanation for these effects is desired, and that language-specific formulations of the constraints surrounding extraction from relative clauses are not needed\(^\text{12}\).

Since a more cross-linguistic explanation is desired for these effects, it is worth asking if any of the accounts intended to account for the patterns discussed for particular languages in \(\text{§2}\) can account for the English patterns without modification. Although the pragmatic account of Erteschik-Shir and Lappin (1979) may very well work for English, the debate around island phenomena currently centers around whether a structural account or a psycholinguistic processing account is better. Taraldsen (1982) proposed that in order for acceptable RC subextraction to occur, the RC must be extrapolposed, even when this extrapolposition is string-vacuous. Such extrapolposition separates the RC from the NP to which the RC was adjoined, which he claims to be the barrier to extraction. Although Engdahl notes that Taraldsen’s analysis has the benefit of capturing the fact that in most cases the RC that is extracted from is clause-final, the analysis can’t explain the results from Experiment 2, in which it is evident that the RC hasn’t been extrapolposed, since there is overt material between the right edge of the RC and the right edge of the clause\(^\text{13}\) as shown in (50), repeated from (37) with structural annotation.

(50) The president is someone that... 
\[\text{TP there [VP are [DP many Americans who supported] in the election] living in rural areas]}\]
Cinque (2010) points out that most of the acceptable cases of RC subextraction in the languages he discusses have RCs with a complementizer (instead of a relative pronoun), and that when they do have a relative pronoun, the RC is a subject RC. Similar in spirit to Chung and McCloskey (1983), he argues that RCs with complementizers instead of relative pronouns are not derived via movement, and that subject RCs that have relative pronouns leave the relative pronoun in subject position. Because of this, the Spec, CP position is left open and can be used as an escape hatch for movement. This argument is based on the absence of word-order evidence for these RCs being derived by movement.

The remaining structural account is that of Sichel (2018). Sichel argues that two overlapping structural factors must coincide in order for RC subextraction to occur. First, the RC must be a Raising RC (as opposed to a Matching RC; see Hulsey and Sauerland 2006). Raising RCs are argued to be direct complements of D, and therefore lack an NP layer. Sichel suggests that NP is a phase, and that its absence when there is a Raising RC allows an element at the edge of CP to be targeted for movement. This requires that CP be able to host multiple specifiers (one for the RC’s head NP, and one for the extracted constituent), or that the C domain be expanded into multiple heads (a lower head for the head NP and a higher one for the extracted constituent), which is what she proposes.

Second, the DP that contains the RC must be in a non-derived position, as DPs in derived positions are known to give rise to freezing effects, the phenomenon in which a DP that moves out of its base position is no longer transparent to extraction. Sichel connects the observation that the RC needs to be in a non-presupposed DP to this factor by arguing (along with Diesing 1992) that presupposed DPs always undergo movement, which is string vacuous or covert in some languages, including Hebrew. Presupposed DPs, then, will not be transparent to extraction. In this way, Sichel ties the contextual nature of acceptable RC subextraction to the contextual nature of non-presupposed DPs: the type of clause or predicate determines whether a DP will carry a presupposition or not. Canonical existentials, for example, do not presuppose the existence of the referent of the DP pivot because their function is to assert existence. Canonical existentials are one of the environments that enable RC subextraction in all of the languages discussed in §2, as well as in English, as argued for in the current paper.

I know of no reason not to adopt the analysis of Sichel (2018) for English. Both of the factors that Sichel argues enable RC subextraction are independently argued to obtain for English. It has already been argued that English has both Matching and Raising derivations for RCs (Bhatt 2002; Hulsey and Sauerland 2006, among others), and Diesing’s claim that presuppositional DPs must raise is intended to apply not only to other languages, but also to English. There is at least one way in which this analysis can be tested for English: although presupposed DPs are required to raise, nonpresupposed DPs may either remain in situ or raise. If it really is movement that gives rise to the contextual ban on RC subextraction and not something about the semantics or pragmatics of asserting existence, then nonpresuppositional DPs that have moved should exhibit freezing effects, despite being nonpresupposed.

In English, the existential clause can be passive, in which case it is evident that while the subject is lower than Spec, TP, it is not in situ either, occurring before the verb in-

14. This happens to be what Lindahl (2015) proposes for cases of RC subextraction in Swedish.
stead of after it (51). On analogy with the existential sentences in Experiment 3, a future experiment might test whether there is any evidence of freezing effects in examples like (52).

(51) There was only one undergraduate arrested at the strike.

(52) Which petition do you think that there is only one undergraduate who signed arrested at the strike?

8.1 The grammatical status of RC subextraction

It has been assumed so far in this discussion that there are grammatical cases of RC subextraction: when the conditions are right, the grammar will generate sentences in which a constituent has been extracted from a relative clause. It is worth pausing here to ask whether it is desirable to have a grammar that generates such sentences, what the consequences of this assumption are, and whether there are any challenges to adopting this view.

Adopting a grammatical explanation for acceptable cases of RC subextraction allows us to account for the effects found in the present study: there is a statistically significant increase in acceptability in certain classes of RC subextraction compared to others. But despite the significant increase in acceptability, it is still not the case that these classes of RC subextraction are perfectly acceptable. In Experiment 3, once acceptability penalties for long-distance extraction and the presence of an island are calculated and factored out, there is still a certain amount of degradation that remains unaccounted for, which is visible as a positive island score for the PREDICATE (0.162) and EXISTENTIAL (0.256) conditions in the DD score table (Table 7—compare to the DD of the transitive object conditions, 0.623). In the separated analyses, the interaction of STRUCTURE and LENGTH was not significant for the PREDICATE environment but was still significant for the EXISTENTIAL environment. When infinitival RCs were tested, the interaction in the EXISTENTIAL environment was no longer significant, which is compatible with (but does not entail) the view that in finite RCs, the presence of tense is responsible for some of the remaining degradation.

Almeida (2014) uses the presence of a super-additive interaction in his study on Brazilian Portuguese embedded WH-questions to argue that despite the relatively high acceptability of cases of extraction from WH-questions, Brazilian Portuguese WH-questions do not tolerate subextraction—they are what he calls “subliminal islands”. Under this view, the finding that a super-additive interaction still occurs in Experiment 3’s PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL environments should be taken to indicate that RCs in those conditions are still islands, and sentences with subextraction from those RCs should not be generated.

15. Of course, this rests on the assumption that the material following one undergraduate in (51) is a VP/VP, and not, say, a reduced relative clause. It has been argued that existentials with passive material following the pivot are in fact reduced relatives (Law 1999), in which case the assumptions underlying the hypothesized experiment above would not be valid.
by the grammar. If we consider that the interaction was only significant for the EXISTENTIAL environment, then we might want to conclude that RCs in OBJECT and EXISTENTIAL environments are islands, but those in PREDICATE environments aren’t.

Following up on Almeida’s study, Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher (2018) investigate embedded WH-questions in Hebrew, another language which has been argued not to have WH-islands. Similar to Almeida, they find that despite the relatively high acceptability ratings given to cases of extraction from embedded WH-questions, a super-additive interaction between LENGTH and the STRUCTURE is found. Using the logic from Almeida (2014), this should be taken to suggest that Hebrew does have WH-islands. However, Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher hypothesize that the super-additivity is the result of a processing effect that was uncontrolled for. More specifically, they suggest that the super-additive interaction in their first two Experiments is due to two filler- phrases needing to be maintained in memory simultaneously: the head NP of the relative clause, and the WH-phrase associated with the embedded question. The head NP is resolved in an object position in the embedded question, and the WH-phrase matay ‘when’ is presumably resolved near the right edge of the embedded question. The structure of their embedded question subextraction condition is given in (53).

(53) \[\text{FILLER}_i [\text{RC that} \ldots \ldots \text{[when} \ldots \ldots \text{}/\text{RP}_j \text{]}] \]
(Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher 2018, example (7d))

Their fourth experiment minimized the time for which both dependencies would need to be active simultaneously by resolving the head NP in the embedded subject position instead of the embedded object position, as illustrated in (54). Since the initial filler phrase is resolved immediately after the left edge of the embedded question, the time for which two filler phrases have to be maintained in memory simultaneously is reduced. They predict that the super-additive interaction should be eliminated, and it is.

(54) \[\text{FILLER}_i [\text{RC that} \ldots \ldots \text{[when} \text{RP}_j \ldots \ldots \text{]}} \]
(Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher 2018, example (11d))

It is not clear that the super-additivity found in the current PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL conditions could be due to filler-based interference with memory maintenance because the materials of Experiment 3 do not require multiple fillers to be maintained for the duration of the embedded clause, as was the case in Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher’s first two experiments. Instead, they more closely resemble the materials for Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher’s fourth experiment (in which no super-additivity was found), since one of the filler phrases is resolved in subject position and the other is resolved in object position (as schematized in (53); dependency lines added for clarity). It is worth noting that in their fourth experiment, the highest filler phrase is what is resolved in the embedded subject position, and the lowest filler phrase is resolved at the right edge of the clause, such that their embedded question subextraction conditions involve two dependencies of intermediate length (as illustrated in (56)).
In the present Experiment 3, the highest filler phrase is resolved in the embedded object position, and the lower filler phrase is resolved immediately in the embedded subject position, such that the RC subextraction conditions involve one long dependency and one rather short dependency. It is conceivable that in the course of constructing the long dependency, the highest filler phrase suffers from a greater amount of memory decay than the combined decay of the filler phrases in Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher’s fourth experiment, causing difficulty in retrieval and giving rise to the super-additive interaction.

It is not possible to test this hypothesis by creating an experiment whose materials have the same dependency lengths as in Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher’s fourth experiment, as it would be ungrammatical to resolve the highest filler phrase in the embedded subject position (57).

(57) *Who, do you think that there is only [one painting] that/which ___ bid on ___?

However, the hypothesis could be tested in other ways. In Experiment 3, the long-distance extraction conditions all involved movement of a D-linked WH-phrase such as which painting. The use of a D-linked WH-phrase has been argued to enhance memory encoding and facilitate retrieval relative to a non-D-linked WH-phrase like who (see Goodall 2015, and references therein). Although the use of D-linked WH-phrases in Experiment 3 should have given these examples the best chance, it is still possible that D-linking was not enough to completely reduce an acceptability penalty caused by some amount of retrieval difficulty. However, if the remaining super-additive interaction in Experiment 3 were due to memory retrieval challenges, then we would predict the super-additive interaction to grow when the filler phrase is more challenging to retrieve, such as when it is non-D-linked.

An alternative possibility is that encoding the second filler phrase in memory interferes with the representation of the first filler phrase in memory (as Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher argue occurred in their first two experiments). This might be a somewhat surprising hypothesis, given their finding that when one of the filler phrases is resolved in the embedded subject position, the super-additive interaction disappears (presumably indicating that there is no interference caused by the second filler phrase). However, there are two relevant differences between the design of their fourth experiment and the design of the present Experiment 3 that might lead us to expect some level of interference.

First, in their materials the first filler phrase was the head NP of a RC, while the second filler phrase was a WH-word licensed by the embedded question. The presence of question features on their second filler phrase might have been enough to differentiate it from the first filler phrase and minimize interference between the two. In the current Experiment 3, the initial filler phrase is a (D-linked) WH-phrase, and the second filler phrase was

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16. I am using the term “D-linked” following Pesetsky (1987), who calls WH-words with NP complements D-linked because they require that the answer to the question select an individual from the discourse, while WH-words without NP complements do not have the same requirement.
a head NP whose relative clause was initiated by the relative pronoun who. Although the English relative pronoun who is not expected to have question features, it is homophonous with the interrogative who, and it is likely that the interrogative who receives temporary activation and has the potential to interfere with the maintenance or retrieval of a D-linked WH-phrase. Since the Hebrew RCs in Keshev and Meltzer-Asscher’s materials are headed by a complementizer, this potential confound does not arise for them. If this confound is present in Experiment 3, it could conceivably be eliminated by running a modified version that replaces the relative pronoun with the complementizer that.

Second, their initial filler phrase was an animate DP (at least in their sample items), while the second filler phrase was invariably the WH-word matay ‘when’, which has no person features and is therefore quite distinct from the first filler phrase. In the long-distance RC subextraction conditions of Experiment 3, the first filler phrase was always an inanimate DP, and the second filler phrase was always an animate DP. While the animacy features surely differentiate these filler phrases in memory, it might be that an inanimate DP and animate DP are more similar to each other than an animate DP and when, which is not only inanimate but abstract.

Finally, let us consider the Dependency Locality Theory view (Gibson 2000) mentioned in §5.6. Processing any new discourse referent is costly, and even relatively abstract things like tense count as a discourse referent. If each new discourse referent needs to be processed and integrated in real time, and at least some of the same resources that are used to do this are also used to maintain filler phrases, then encountering any discourse referent (including tense) should give rise to some amount of interference, even if the interfering elements are featurally quite distinct. Moving to infinitival RCs in Experiments 4 and 5 was an attempt to see if any of the remaining super-additivity would go away when a discourse referent (tense) was removed from the path of the dependency. The fact that the interaction was no longer significant for the EXISTENTIAL environment could mean that the presence of tense in the RCs in Experiment 3 degrades the ISLAND | LONG ratings enough to make the interaction significant.

The remaining super-additive interaction found for the EXISTENTIAL condition in Experiment 3 may be due to a combination of the factors discussed above. While the design of Experiment 3 is able to be used to factor out the acceptability cost of the long-distance component of the extraction, it can’t be used to factor out any acceptability cost arising from the need to encode the second filler phrase and resolve it, all while continuously maintaining the first filler phrase. But if the remaining super-additivity in the EXISTENTIAL condition of Experiment 3 is due to processing factors, it is unproblematic for the grammar to generate cases of RC subextraction in such limited cases. At the same time, adopting an analysis (such as Sichel 2018) that doesn’t require language- or environment-specific parameterization of island constraints allows our theory of islandhood to be simpler.

17. Research on lexical activation has shown that even when the context is compatible with only one interpretation of a homophone, the incompatible interpretation still receives some degree of activation (see Lucas 1999 for a meta-analysis). Although to my knowledge such effects have not been demonstrated for interrogative who vs. relative pronoun who, I assume such effects still exist for these lexical items.
8.2 Methodological considerations

Since the present investigation uses two different factorial experiment designs, it is worthwhile to consider which of these designs is more effective for estimating the strength of an island and under what conditions each should be used. As shown in detail in §3, the length by complexity design used in Experiments 1, 3, and 4 provides a way to isolate the ratings penalty for extracting out of an island. With certain educated assumptions in place about the various processing costs at play in the conditions of a length by complexity experiment, isolating the penalty of processing an island subextraction can be achieved arithmetically (as shown in (27–29) in §3). Because this design allows this effect to be isolated from some processing effects, comparison of results across different experiments is safer, as long as the ratings are properly $z$-scored. However, the length by complexity design faces challenges of its own when appropriate NON-ISLAND constructions to use for the baseline conditions cannot be found.

8.2.1 Limitations of the DEPENDENCY TYPE design

The design of Experiments 2 and 5 (call it the DEPENDENCY TYPE design) does not provide a way to fully isolate the cost of island subextraction, and drawing conclusions about the relative strength of an island from a dependency type design requires making certain assumptions that cannot be validated by the experiment itself. To explain this, let us consider the processing costs at play in the conditions of a dependency type experiment. Consider a pared-down version of Experiment 2 that only studies one syntactic-semantic environment for the DP out of which extraction occurs—say, the existential environment. Each item has two conditions—ANAPHORIC and MOVEMENT. To ease the discussion, the existential conditions of the sample item in (37) are presented in (58).

\[(58)\] DEPENDENCY TYPE EXPERIMENT SAMPLE ITEM

a. The president thinks that there are many Americans who supported him in the election living in rural areas.  
\text{THERE | ANAPHORIC}

b. The president is someone that there are many Americans who supported in the election living in rural areas.  
\text{THERE | MOVEMENT}

The ANAPHORIC condition is taken to be the baseline condition, with some baseline penalty $\beta$ related to parsing the sentence with its particular lexical items and structures. This baseline penalty includes the cost of the (underlined) RC in (58a), as well as the cost of processing the anaphoric dependency, which I assume to be trivial.\(^{18}\) The MOVEMENT condition, on the other hand, involves the same baseline cost $\beta$, as well as the cost of

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18. Anaphoric dependencies like the one in (58a) are not syntactically mediated in the same way as movement dependencies, and I assume that as a result of this, the processing costs involved are negligible. A participant encountering the first DP \textit{the president} in (58a) receives no cues that this DP will be referred to later with a pronoun, and so I assume there is less of a cost associated with identifying a potential tail for the anaphoric dependency. Furthermore, there are no DPs that could be referred to with the pronoun that intervene between \textit{the president} and the co-referent pronoun \textit{him}, which I assume makes forming the dependency relatively effortless: the DP \textit{the president} is the only discourse referent matching the features of the pronoun, and as the subject of the matrix clause, this discourse referent is likely to be highly salient and
processing the additional RC (a COMPLEXITY penalty), the cost of actively maintaining
the head of the highest RC in memory until its gap is identified (a LENGTH penalty), and
the cost of forming this dependency into an island (an ISLAND VIOLATION penalty). The
costs associated with each condition are shown in (59).

(59) a. ANAPHORIC = \beta 
b. MOVEMENT = \beta + COMPLEXITY + LENGTH + ISLAND VIOLATION

The length by complexity design allows the ISLAND VIOLATION cost to be isolated,
but a dependency type design only allows the combination of COMPLEXITY, LENGTH,
and ISLAND VIOLATION to be isolated from the baseline cost, as illustrated in (60).

(60) \[
\begin{align*}
\beta & \quad \text{(ANAPHORIC)} \\
- \beta + \text{COMPLEXITY} + \text{LENGTH} + \text{ISLAND VIOLATION} & \quad \text{(MOVEMENT)} \\
= - (\text{COMPLEXITY} + \text{LENGTH} + \text{ISLAND VIOLATION}) & \quad \text{(Difference score)}
\end{align*}
\]

If the experiment is extended to include multiple environments, as was the case in
Experiments 2 and 5, then the arithmetic in (60) can be done for each of those environ-
ments, and a difference score can be calculated for each. Crucially, though, drawing any
conclusions about the strength of an island from the resulting difference scores requires
assuming that the costs of COMPLEXITY and LENGTH remain stable across the environ-
ments studied. Whether this assumption is safe or not depends on how carefully length
and complexity were controlled for in the construction of the items. However, even if the
items are made carefully, the design still provides no way to truly isolate the ISLAND VIOL-
ATION penalty, so whenever possible, it seems preferable to use the length by complexity
design.

8.2.2 Limitations of the LENGTH × COMPLEXITY design

As noted above, the strength of the length by complexity design is that it allows subex-
traction penalties to be isolated from other penalties that are measurable using the accept-
ability judgment paradigm. However, the design is not without shortcomings. In much
of the previous work using this design, island structures were tested that have pretty di-
rect non-island counterparts. For instance, Sprouse et al. (2012) aim to measure the island
effect produced by extracting from an embedded question. The embedded question is
a kind of sentential complement selected by a verb like wonder. A baseline condition is
relatively easy to identify for an embedded question, as there are plenty of verbs (like

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think) that take declarative sentential complements, which are not islands. A sample item of theirs is reproduced in (61).

(61)  
   a. Who _ thinks that John bought a car?  
       NON-ISLAND | MATRIX  
   b. What do you think that John bought _?  
       NON-ISLAND | EMBEDDED  
   c. Who _ wonders whether John bought a car?  
       ISLAND | MATRIX  
   d. What do you wonder whether John bought _?  
       ISLAND | EMBEDDED  

(Sprouse et al. 2012, Example (5))

Whether the STRUCTURE level in their items was NON-ISLAND or ISLAND, the overall structure follows the schema below:

(62)  
   [CP ... VERB [CP ... SUBJECT VERB ... ]]  

For the predicate nominal environment tested in several of the current experiments, it was a persistent challenge to identify a construction that would be a satisfactory baseline. The ISLAND condition had a DP predicate containing an RC, and the DP was the complement of the copula. Conceptually, the most parallel kind of baseline would swap the non-verbal predicate (including the copula, the DP, and the RC within the DP) for a verbal predicate with a CP complement. But the copula is much more similar to a logical operator than a verb, so switching it for an event-denoting verb likely results in an increase in complexity that could be detected in the ratings. Assuming that computation of the relations denoted by the copula are relatively trivial, starting with Experiment 3, the decision was made to use a verbal predicate (with a CP complement) for the baseline of the PREDICATE conditions, but maintain this verbal complement in the ISLAND conditions as well. Although this resulted in a baseline NON-ISLAND configuration that was less of a direct parallel to the ISLAND configuration, not constructing the items like this could have resulted in a non-interaction between STRUCTURE and LENGTH that was not related to island effects.

Although the baseline configuration selected for the PREDICATE conditions in Experiment 3 seemed to work well, the ECM configuration selected as the baseline configuration for infinitival RCs in Experiment 4 failed to live up to expectations. Just as in Experiment 3, the baseline configuration replaced the non-verbal predicate (including copula and RC) with a verb that could accept an ECM complement. For the same reason that the verbal predicate was maintained in the ISLAND conditions in Experiment 3, the ECM-compatible verb was maintained in Experiment 4’s PREDICATE | ISLAND conditions, but was given a finite CP complement whose main predicate was the copula and its DP complement.

Although the configuration was quite parallel to the configuration of the items in Experiment 3, the results make it evident that the ECM structure does not provide a good baseline. If it was, presumably it would be less challenging to parse (and better-rated) than the corresponding ISLAND condition. But the ECM construction appears to have independent penalties associated with it, perhaps related to the relative infrequency of ECM constructions, or due to complexities in the ECM structure that finite clauses do not share. It is unclear if there is any configuration that would provide a good baseline for infinitival RCs in a PREDICATE environment.
Due to there being multiple licit existential structures, there happened to be a close non-island parallel for this environment in both Experiment 3 and Experiment 4. But for the **OBJECT** environment, a viable baseline configuration was found for finite RCs (Experiment 3) but not for infinitival RCs (Experiment 4). In Experiment 3, verbs were used that could accept either a DP or CP complement, so for the baseline conditions, a CP complement was used, and a DP complement (with an embedded RC) was used in the **ISLAND** conditions. However, when using infinitival RCs, the verbs needed to be able to take an infinitival clausal complement or a DP, but many of the baseline conditions were irreparably ambiguous between an ECM parse and an RC parse, and with the paradigm used, we wouldn’t have been able to tell which parse the participant had formed. Because the issue with the **OBJECT** condition couldn’t be overcome, the dependency type design had to be used to get some kind of measure of the islandhood of infinitival RCs in the **OBJECT** environment.

### 8.2.3 Summary

Each of the factorial designs used in the current study have their own shortcomings. The length by complexity design (Sprouse et al. [2012]) provides a way to isolate island effects more precisely, but this precision depends on being able to identify a sentence structure to use in the baseline condition that is as parallel as possible to the non-baseline conditions. This is not always possible, as was found in Experiment 4 for both the **OBJECT** environment and the **PREDICATE** environment.

The main advantage that the dependency type design has over the length by complexity design is that it involves half the number of conditions, which means that fewer participants are needed to achieve the same power. To study a single environment, only two conditions are needed; but to study a single environment in the length by complexity design, four conditions are needed. Since the dependency type design is less costly to run but is potentially less accurate for gauging island violation costs, it can be used when the researcher’s participant pool is limited in order to get a rough estimate that can later be precisified by a follow-up length by complexity experiment. Additionally, the dependency type design can be used to get estimates of island strength when appropriate baseline structures can’t be found for a length by complexity experiment, as was the case for Experiment 4. The relative advantages and disadvantages for each design are summarized in Table [10].

### 9 Conclusion

This paper has presented experimental evidence that suggests that English RCs are not always strong islands, contrary to what has often been assumed. These findings are noteworthy, since it was previously thought that only a small set of exceptional languages permit RC subextraction when certain conditions are met. It is becoming increasingly evident that such cases of RC subextraction might not be the exception, but the rule. Many of the languages that have been identified as permitting RC subextraction seem to allow it in similar syntactic environments: those in which the DP that hosts the RC does not carry
a presupposition of existence. This is supported by the fact that the existential construction is one of the syntactic environments that facilitates RC subextraction in the languages discussed. It may be that other syntactic conditions need to be met for RC subextraction to occur, such as the RC being a raising RC (as argued for in Sichel 2018), but the presence of this factor is more challenging to diagnose, has received little focus in the literature on RC subextraction until recently, and has received less focus here.

Acceptable extraction from RCs in English has been discussed less than extraction from RCs in other languages, especially the Scandinavian languages, despite the fact that relatively early work pointed out apparent exceptions to the Complex NP Constraint in English (Chung and McCloskey 1983; Kuno 1976; McCawley 1981). Following Engdahl (1997), I would like to suggest that this is a consequence of certain properties of Scandinavian languages that English happens to mostly lack. Engdahl observes the following.

It seems that the Scandinavian languages favour an utterance structure with fronted topics, contrastive as well as continuous topics. This means that part of learning these languages involves learning when to use a contrastive topic or a continuous topic and how to realise these, syntactically and prosodically. (1997, p. 34)

Although Engdahl suggests that learning how to realize contrastive or continuous topics affects the ease with which speakers can produce and interpret sentences with topics that have been fronted from within a relative clause, I suggest that the widespread use of topic fronting in Scandinavian languages provides more of an opportunity to observe
acceptable cases of RC subextraction. Although the present study has identified acceptable cases of RC subextraction in English, RC subextraction in English will be observed in a smaller range of A-bar constructions, providing less of an opportunity to observe the phenomenon. If this is on the right track, this reaffirms the importance of looking at a wide variety of languages as we strive to develop a more universal theory of the grammar of natural language. Widely studied languages such as English may lack certain properties, and as a result may obscure certain facts that are more evident in other languages. Once certain facts have been identified in other languages, they may even shed light on languages that were previously thought not to exhibit a particular phenomenon, as was the case here.

The studies presented here inspire a number of future studies. As mentioned in §8, at least one future study might investigate whether there is any other source of the remaining super-additivity in Experiment 3. While the presence of tense was found to be a possible contributor, it was also suggested that this could have to do with the memory decay that the highest filler phrase suffers, perhaps made worse by the need to parse a second movement dependency while maintaining the initial filler phrase in memory. Future studies might modulate the strength of encoding of the higher filler phrase to observe whether the super-additive interaction increases when the encoding has a weaker representation and decreases when the encoding has a stronger representation. Another study might manipulate the features of both filler phrases to make them more or less distinct from each other to observe whether the super-additive interaction increases when the filler phrases are more likely to interfere in memory, or whether the super-additive interaction decreases when they are less likely to interfere in memory.

Separate from issues concerning the remaining super-additive interaction, a different kind of follow-up study concerns the real-time parsing of examples like those discussed above. Much research in psycholinguistics has found that the human parser is highly active and predictive, attempting to establish dependencies before all input is received. For filler-gap dependencies, this has been termed the Active Filler Strategy, but it has recently been given a more general name, Active Dependency Formation. A number of researchers have found that this strategy is dependent on the syntactic environment currently being parsed, such that the strategy is temporarily called off in syntactic environments (such as islands) in which the dependency could not be resolved grammatically (M. Pickering et al. 1994; Stowe 1986; Traxler and M. J. Pickering 1996), as evidenced by the lack of a “filled gap effect”[19].

Since the current study uses an off-line measure (acceptability ratings) to claim that there are certain syntactic environments in which RCs can grammatically be extracted from in English, the inquiring mind wants to know whether there is any on-line evidence that individuals are willing to anticipate gaps in these environments. This investigation could plausibly be carried out with either a self-paced reading study or an eye-tracking while reading study. If we find the presence of a filled gap effect in such a study, this would provide confirmation for the hypothesis that these are grammatical RC subextraction, and it would also provide a noteworthy update to research on the on-line process-

[19. The filled gap effect is a phenomenon in which on-line measures such as reading time suggest that the parser experiences difficulty when it encounters an overt DP where it expects to find a gap.]
ing of A-bar dependencies.

The final contribution of the current study is to highlight two different ways in which island strength can be measured using the acceptability judgment paradigm, both of which are imperfect. The length by complexity design can be used to arrive at a less noisy estimate of a domain’s transparency to extraction, but it can only be used responsibly if there is a reliable baseline structure that can be identified. The dependency type design is more economical since it requires fewer conditions (and hence fewer participants), but its estimate of a domain’s transparency to extraction in one environment versus another relies on the assumption that other costs remain constant, so the experimenter must construct materials cautiously and with good reason to believe these costs will remain constant. In certain cases, this design has the benefit that it can be used when a length by complexity design has a blind spot that is difficult to overcome.

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A Supplemental material links

Supplemental materials for each experiment, including all R code used in the analysis of these experiments, can be found at the following URL:
B  Models

B.1  Experiment 1

A mixed effects analysis (with random effects for subjects and items) was performed in R using the `clmm()` function provided by the `ordinal` package (Christensen 2018).

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The contrasts for the **DEFINITENESS** factor were –0.5 and 0.5 for **DEFINITE** and **INDEFINITE**, respectively. The negative coefficient (\( \beta \)) for the **DEFINITENESS** effect indicates that definite DPs significantly improve ratings overall relative to indefinite DPs.

The contrasts for the **STRUCTURE** factor were –0.5 and 0.5 for **NON-ISLAND** and **ISLAND**, respectively. The significant effect of **STRUCTURE** has a negative coefficient, indicating that the presence of the **NON-ISLAND** structures significantly improve ratings relative to the **ISLAND** structures.

For the **LENGTH** factor, contrasts were set to –0.5 and 0.5 for **SHORT** and **LONG**, respectively, so the negative coefficient for **LENGTH** indicates that **SHORT** conditions were significantly better than **LONG** conditions.

**STRUCTURE** and **LENGTH** interact significantly, and the coefficient is negative. This indicates that long extraction from an island causes significant degradation to ratings relative to long extraction from a non-island.

B.2  Experiment 2

B.2.1  Simple effects analysis: Version 1

Helmert contrast coding was given to the **SUBJECT** factor, such that in the **DEFINITENESS** comparison, **DEFINITE** had a negative contrast value of –1 and **INDEFINITE** had a positive
Table 12: Coefficients for Experiment 2 (Version 1) Simple Effects Model

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<td>-23.003</td>
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<td>HEIGHT × Dependency type</td>
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<td>0.0809</td>
<td>4.376</td>
<td>1.21*10^{-05} ✓</td>
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contrast value of 1. In the HEIGHT comparison, the combination of the high subject conditions was assigned a negative contrast value of –2, and the low subject condition was assigned a positive contrast value of 2. The HEIGHT comparison was found to be significant in the simple effects analysis, and the negative coefficient shown in Table 12 indicates that the high subject conditions on the whole were significantly better than the low subject conditions, a pattern that is visible in Figure 4.

Within the DEPENDENCY TYPE factor, the ANAPHORIC level was assigned a negative contrast value of –0.5, and the MOVEMENT level was assigned a positive value of 0.5. The negative coefficient for the main effect of DEPENDENCY TYPE therefore indicates that the ANAPHORIC conditions received significantly better ratings than the MOVEMENT conditions, to no surprise.

The significant interaction of HEIGHT and Dependency type has a positive coefficient. This indicates that in the low subject conditions, ratings were significantly less degraded in the movement condition relative to the anaphoric condition compared to the high subject conditions.

B.2.2 Mixed effects analysis: Version 2 (Mechanical Turk)

Table 13: Coefficients for Experiment 2 (Version 2) Mixed Effects Model

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<td>HEIGHT</td>
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<td>-6.037</td>
<td>1.57*10^{-09} ✓</td>
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<td>Dependency type</td>
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<td>-9.788</td>
<td>&lt;2*10^{-16} ✓</td>
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<td>DEFINITENESS × Dependency type</td>
<td>0.244</td>
<td>0.231</td>
<td>1.056</td>
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<td>HEIGHT × Dependency type</td>
<td>0.625</td>
<td>0.156</td>
<td>4.008</td>
<td>6.11*10^{-05} ✓</td>
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Although the coefficients have different values in this mixed effects model, their signs are the same, and the same effects are found to be significant, so the interpretation remains
the same as the interpretation for the model in B.2.1.

### B.3 Experiment 3

A mixed effects ordinal regression model with a maximal random effects structure was fitted to the data using the `clmm()` function provided by the `ordinal` package (Christensen 2018) in R (R Core Team 2018). The ratings were set as the dependent measure, and the other factors and their interactions were set as fixed effects. The random effects structure included random intercepts for subjects and items, as well as random slopes by both subjects and items for all factors and their interactions.

Formula:

\[
\text{rating} \sim \text{context} \times \text{ec_type} \times \text{dep_length} + \\
(1 + \text{context} \times \text{ec_type} \times \text{dep_length} | \text{subject}) + \\
(1 + \text{context} \times \text{ec_type} \times \text{dep_length} | \text{item_set})
\]

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<td>5.65</td>
<td>$1.6 \times 10^{-08}$</td>
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<td>BE $\times$ Length</td>
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<td>BE $\times$ Structure $\times$ Length</td>
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<td>TRANSITIVITY $\times$ Structure $\times$ Length</td>
<td>-0.4544</td>
<td>0.2109</td>
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<td>0.031</td>
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There were a number of significant main effects. BE, which was the comparison between PREDICATE (contrast value = 1) and EXISTENTIAL (contrast value = –1), received a negative coefficient, indicating that the EXISTENTIAL conditions were rated significantly higher than PREDICATE conditions.

TRANSITIVITY was also a significant main effect, which compared the OBJECT level (contrast value = 2) to the combination of the PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL levels (contrast value = –2). The negative coefficient for indicates that the combination of PREDICATE and EXISTENTIAL had a significant positive effect on ratings compared to the OBJECT level.
There were also significant main effects of **STRUCTURE** and **LENGTH**. Structure received a positive coefficient, indicating that **NON-ISLAND** conditions (contrast value = 0.5) were significantly better than **ISLAND** conditions (contrast value = –0.5). **LENGTH** also received a positive coefficient, indicating that **SHORT** conditions (contrast value = 0.5) were significantly better than **LONG** conditions (contrast value = –0.5).

Apart from the main effects, there were three significant interactions. The BE × **LENGTH** interaction received a negative coefficient, indicating that in the **EXISTENTIAL** level, **SHORT** extractions were significantly better than in the **PREDICATE** level, but that the reverse is true when considering **LONG** extractions.

There was a significant interaction between **STRUCTURE** and **LENGTH**, which was given a negative coefficient. As in the model shown for Experiment 1 (Table I), this indicates that when comparing **NON-ISLAND** and **ISLAND** conditions, the **LONG** extraction was rated significantly worse in the **ISLAND** conditions.

Finally, a significant three-way interaction was observed between **TRANSITIVITY**, **STRUCTURE**, and **LENGTH**. The coefficient provided by the analysis is negative. This indicates that there is a significant difference in the ratings for conditions involving extraction from islands, with the **OBJECT** conditions receiving more of a penalty, and the combination of **PREDICATE** and **EXISTENTIAL** conditions receiving less of a penalty.

### B.4 Experiment 4

A mixed effects ordinal regression model with a maximal random effects structure was fitted to the data using the `clmm()` function provided by the `ordinal` package (Christensen 2018) in R (R Core Team 2018). The ratings were set as the dependent measure, and the other factors and their interactions were set as fixed effects. The random effects structure included random intercepts for subjects and items, as well as random slopes by both subjects and items for all factors and their interactions.

**Formula:**

```r
rating ~ environment * length * structure +
(1 + environment * length * structure | subject) +
(1 + environment * length * structure | item)
```

A separate mixed effects ordinal regression model with a maximal random effects structure was fitted to the data for the **EXISTENTIAL** condition. Ratings were set as the dependent measure, and **LENGTH** and **STRUCTURE** and their interactions were set as fixed effects. The random effects structure included random intercepts for subjects and items, as well as random slopes by both subjects and items for the **LENGTH** and **STRUCTURE** factors and their interactions.

**Formula:**

```r
rating ~ length * structure +
(1 + length * structure | subject) +
(1 + length * structure | item)
```
Table 15: Coefficients for Experiment 4 Mixed Effects Model (both environments)

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<td>$1.1*10^{-07}$</td>
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<td>Structure</td>
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Table 16: Coefficients for Experiment 4 Mixed Effects Model (EXISTENTIAL environment only)

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<td>Length × Structure</td>
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B.5 Experiment 5

Formula:
rating ~ environment * dependency +
(1 + environment * dependency | subject) +
(1 + environment * dependency | item)

Table 17: Coefficients for Experiment 5 Mixed Effects Model

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<td>Dependency</td>
<td>4.0535</td>
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<td>6.10</td>
<td>1.1*10^9</td>
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<td>Environment × Dependency</td>
<td>-0.4328</td>
<td>1.0254</td>
<td>-0.42</td>
<td>0.6730</td>
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C  Experiment 1: CP complements to N

In the CP complement items, non-island conditions, matrix verbs that select for CP complements were chosen that also have noun homophones (e.g. worry) that select for CP complements. In the island conditions, a separate matrix verb was chosen that could take the noun homophone as its complement. This created a length differential between the island and non-island conditions in the CP complement items that is evident in the sample item below.

(64)  **SAMPLE ITEM: CP COMPLEMENT ISLAND (EXPERIMENT 1)**

a. Who worried that the builder didn’t seal the windows?  SHORT | DEF | NON-ISLAND
b. Who worried that a builder didn’t seal the windows?   SHORT | IND | NON-ISLAND
c. What did Steve worry that the builder didn’t seal?     LONG | DEF | NON-ISLAND
d. What did Steve worry that a builder didn’t seal?      LONG | IND | NON-ISLAND
e. Who expressed the worry that the builder didn’t seal the windows?  SHORT | DEF | ISLAND
f. Who expressed a worry that the builder didn’t seal the windows?  SHORT | IND | ISLAND
g. What did Delilah notice the teacher who wears a bowtie?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Delilah notice a teacher who wears a bowtie?      ISLAND | LONG | IND

D  Experiment 5: Additional materials

See Figure 13.

E  Items

E.1  Experiment 1

(65)  **ITEM 1**

a. Who noticed that the teacher wears a bowtie?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who noticed that a teacher wears a bowtie?   NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Delilah notice that the teacher wears?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Delilah notice that a teacher wears?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who noticed the teacher who wears a bowtie?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who noticed a teacher who wears a bowtie?    ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Delilah notice the teacher who wears? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Delilah notice a teacher who wears?  ISLAND | LONG | IND
Figure 13: Experiment 5 participants plotted by the difference between the mean of each of the ANAPHORIC conditions (y-axis) and the difference between the mean of each of the MOVEMENT conditions (x-axis). Slopes are determined by drawing a line through the x- and y-axes of the lines that meet at the point corresponding to each subject.

(66) Item 2
a. Who trusts that the senator cares about the constitution? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who trusts that a senator cares about the constitution? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What does Sarah trust that the senator cares about? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What does Sarah trust that a senator cares about? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who trusts the senator who cares about the constitution? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who trusts a senator who cares about the constitution? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What does Sarah trust the senator who cares about? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What does Sarah trust a senator who cares about? ISLAND | LONG | IND

(67) Item 3
a. Who respected that the citizens dislike being photographed? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who respected that citizens dislike being photographed? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Briana respect that the citizens dislike? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Briana respect that citizens dislike? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who respected the citizens who dislike being photographed? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who respected citizens who dislike being photographed? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Briana respect the citizens who dislike? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Briana respect citizens who dislike? ISLAND | LONG | IND
ITEM 4

a. Who found that the newspaper reprinted false claims?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who found that a newspaper reprinted false claims?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Peter find that the newspaper reprinted?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Peter find that a newspaper reprinted?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who found the newspaper that reprinted false claims?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who found a newspaper that reprinted false claims?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Peter find the newspaper that reprinted?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Peter find a newspaper that reprinted?  ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 5

a. Who likes that the gardeners mow the lawn once a month?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who likes that gardeners mow the lawn once a month?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What does Fred like that the gardeners mow once a month?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What does Fred like that gardeners mow once a month?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who likes the gardeners who mow the lawn once a month?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who likes gardeners who mow the lawn once a month?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What does Fred like the gardeners who mow once a month?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What does Fred like gardeners who mow once a month?  ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 6

a. Who believes that the salesmen wash their car every weekend?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who believes that salesmen wash their car every weekend?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What does Daniel believe that the salesmen wash every weekend?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What does Daniel believe that salesmen wash every weekend?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who believes the salesmen who wash their car every weekend?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who believes salesmen who wash their car every weekend?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What does Daniel believe the salesmen who wash every weekend?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What does Daniel believe salesmen who wash every weekend?  ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 7

a. Who knew that the child plays chess in the park?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who knew that a child plays chess in the park?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Wendell know that the child plays in the park?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Wendell know that a child plays in the park?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who knew the child who plays chess in the park?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who knew a child who plays chess in the park?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Wendell know the child who plays in the park?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Wendell know a child who plays in the park?  ISLAND | LONG | IND
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<td>c. What did Peter predict that the lending crisis would trigger?</td>
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<td>e. Who predicted the lending crisis that would trigger the recession?</td>
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<td>g. What did Peter predict that the lending crisis would trigger?</td>
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<td>h. What did Peter predict a lending crisis that would trigger?</td>
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<td>a. Who understands that the teachers dislike unstapled papers?</td>
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<td>b. Who understands that teachers dislike unstapled papers?</td>
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<td>c. What does Lorena understand that the teachers dislike?</td>
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<td>e. Who understands the teachers who dislike unstapled papers?</td>
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<td>f. Who understands teachers who dislike unstapled papers?</td>
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<td>g. What does Lorena understand the teachers who dislike?</td>
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<td>b. Who reported that a group had filed a lawsuit?</td>
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<td>c. What did Rebecca report that the group had filed?</td>
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<td>e. Who reported the group that filed a lawsuit?</td>
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<td>g. What did Rebecca report the group who filed?</td>
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<td>a. Who remembers that the students asked everyone in town for donations?</td>
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<td>b. Who remembers that students asked everyone in town for donations?</td>
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<td>c. What does Brian remember that the students asked everyone in town for?</td>
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<td>e. Who remembers the students who asked everyone in town for donations?</td>
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<td>g. What does Brian remember the students who asked everyone in town for?</td>
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<td>h. What does Brian remember students who asked everyone in town for?</td>
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(76) ITEM 12
a. Who taught that the Americans started the war? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who taught that Americans started the war? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Amanda teach that the Americans started? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Amanda teach that Americans started? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who taught the Americans that started the war? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who taught Americans that started the war? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Amanda teach the Americans that started? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Amanda teach Americans that started? ISLAND | LONG | IND

(77) ITEM 13
a. Who wrote that the character in the book is afraid of open spaces? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who wrote that a character in the book had a fear of open spaces? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did James write that the character in the book is afraid of? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did James write that a character in the book is afraid of? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who wrote the character in the book who is afraid of open spaces? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who wrote a character in the book who is afraid of open spaces? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did James write the character in the book who is afraid of? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did James write a character in the book who is afraid of? ISLAND | LONG | IND

(78) ITEM 14
a. Who appreciated that the students finished the optional assignment? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who appreciated that students finished the optional assignment? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Patty appreciate that the students finished? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Patty appreciate that students finished? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who appreciated the students who finished the optional assignment? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who appreciated students who finished the optional assignment? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Patty appreciate the students who finished? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Patty appreciate students who finished? ISLAND | LONG | IND

(79) ITEM 15
a. Who revealed that the Uber driver became an election candidate? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who revealed that an Uber driver became an election candidate? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Stefan reveal that the Uber driver became? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Stefan reveal that an Uber driver became? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who revealed the Uber driver who became an election candidate? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who revealed an Uber driver who became an election candidate? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Stefan reveal the Uber driver who became? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Stefan reveal an Uber driver who became? ISLAND | LONG | IND
### Item 16

| a. Who suggested that the artists used expired paint for the mural? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| b. Who suggested that artists used expired paint for the mural? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| c. What did Janet suggest that the artists used for the mural? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| d. What did Janet suggest that artists used for the mural? | NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| e. Who suggested the artists who used expired paint for the mural? | ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| f. Who suggested artists who used expired paint for the mural? | ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| g. What did Janet suggest that the artists who used for the mural? | ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| h. What did Janet suggest artists who used for the mural? | ISLAND | LONG | IND |

### Item 17

| a. Who claimed that the university wants to hire Stanley? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| b. Who claimed that a university wants to hire Stanley? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| c. Who did Salazar claim that the university wants to hire? | NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| d. Who did Salazar claim that a university wants to hire? | NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND |
| e. Who heard the claim that the university wants to hire Stanley? | ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| f. Who heard a claim that the university wants to hire Stanley? | ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| g. Who did Salazar hear the claim that the university wants to hire? | ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| h. Who did Salazar hear a claim that the university wants to hire? | ISLAND | LONG | IND |

### Item 18

| a. Who worried that the builder didn’t seal the windows? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| b. Who worried that a builder didn’t seal the windows? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| c. What did Steve worry that the builder didn’t seal? | NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| d. What did Steve worry that a builder didn’t seal? | NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND |
| e. Who expressed the worry that the builder didn’t seal the windows? | ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| f. Who expressed a worry that the builder didn’t seal the windows? | ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| g. What did Steve express the worry that the builder didn’t seal? | ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| h. What did Steve express a worry that the builder didn’t seal? | ISLAND | LONG | IND |

### Item 19

| a. Who complained that the mechanic didn’t inspect the brakes? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| b. Who complained that a mechanic didn’t inspect the brakes? | NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| c. What did Alicia complain that the mechanic didn’t inspect? | NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| d. What did Alicia complain that a mechanic didn’t inspect? | NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND |
| e. Who filed the complaint that the mechanic didn’t inspect the brakes? | ISLAND | SHORT | DEF |
| f. Who filed a complaint that the mechanic didn’t inspect the brakes? | ISLAND | SHORT | IND |
| g. What did Alicia file the complaint that the mechanic didn’t inspect? | ISLAND | LONG | DEF |
| h. What did Alicia file a complaint that the mechanic didn’t inspect? | ISLAND | LONG | IND |
ITEM 20
a. Who hinted that the lawyer hopes to delay the trial? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who hinted that a lawyer hopes to delay the trial? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Patty hint that the lawyer hopes to delay? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Patty hint that a lawyer hopes to delay? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who overheard the hint that the lawyer hopes to delay the trial? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who overheard a hint that the lawyer hopes to delay the trial? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Patty overhear the hint that the lawyer hopes to delay? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Patty overhear a hint that the lawyer hopes to delay? ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 21
a. Who argued that the new councilmember was supported by special interest groups? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who argued that a new councilmember was supported by special interest groups? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Vivian argue that the new councilmember was supported by? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Vivian argue that a new councilmember was supported by? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who made the argument that the new councilmember was supported by special interest groups? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who made an argument that the new councilmember was supported by special interest groups? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Vivian make the argument that the new councilmember was supported by? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Vivian make an argument that the new councilmember was supported by? ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 22
a. Who dreamed that the local bakery would start selling donuts? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who dreamed that a local bakery would start selling donuts? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Leah dream that the local bakery would start selling? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Leah dream that a local bakery would start selling? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who had the dream that the local bakery would start selling donuts? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who had a dream that the local bakery would start selling donuts? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Leah have the dream that the local bakery would start selling? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Leah have a dream that the local bakery would start selling? ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 23
a. Who requested that the employee undergo anger management counseling? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who requested that an employee undergo anger management counseling? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Hector request that the employee undergo? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Hector request that an employee undergo? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who resented the request that the employee undergo anger management counseling? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who resented a request that the employee undergo anger management counseling? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Hector resent the request that the employee undergo? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Hector resent a request that the employee undergo? ISLAND | LONG | IND
ITEM 24
a. Who lied that the committee used up the surplus funds?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who lied that a committee used up the surplus funds?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Anton lie that the committee used up?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Anton lie that a committee used up?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who exposed the lie that the committee used up the surplus funds?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who exposed a lie that the committee used up the surplus funds?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Anton expose the lie that the committee used up?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Anton expose a lie that the committee used up?  ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 25
a. Who confessed that the rival team planned to sabotage the event?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who confessed that a rival team planned to sabotage the event?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Paul confess that the rival team planned to sabotage?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Paul confess that a rival team planned to sabotage?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who recorded the confession that the rival team planned to sabotage the event?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who recorded a confession that the rival team planned to sabotage the event?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Paul record the confession that the rival team planned to sabotage?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Paul record a confession that the rival team planned to sabotage?  ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 26
a. Who suggested that the book could inspire the practice of witchcraft?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who suggested that a book could inspire the practice of witchcraft?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Sonya suggest that the book could inspire?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Sonya suggest that a book could inspire?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who challenged the suggestion that the book could inspire the practice of witchcraft?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who challenged a suggestion that the book could inspire the practice of witchcraft?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Sonya challenge the suggestion that the book could inspire?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Sonya challenge a suggestion that the book could inspire?  ISLAND | LONG | IND

ITEM 27
a. Who speculated that the group would discover alien life?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who speculated that a group would discover alien life?  NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Steven speculate that the group would discover?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Steven speculate that a team would discover?  NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who supported the speculation that the group would discover alien life?  ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who supported a speculation that the group would discover alien life?  ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Steven support the speculation that the group would discover?  ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Steven support a speculation that the group would discover?  ISLAND | LONG | IND
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ITEM 32

a. Who demanded that the museum withdraw its offer? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
b. Who demanded that a museum withdraw its offer? NON-ISLAND | SHORT | IND
c. What did Shelley demand that the museum withdraw? NON-ISLAND | LONG | DEF
d. What did Shelley demand that a museum withdraw? NON-ISLAND | LONG | IND
e. Who mocked the demand that the museum withdraw its offer? ISLAND | SHORT | DEF
f. Who mocked a demand that the museum withdraw its offer? ISLAND | SHORT | IND
g. What did Shelley mock the demand that the museum withdraw? ISLAND | LONG | DEF
h. What did Shelley mock a demand that the museum withdraw? ISLAND | LONG | IND

E.2 Experiment 2

ITEM 1

a. The president is someone that there are many Americans who supported in the election living in rural areas. THERE | MOVEMENT
b. The president thinks that there are many Americans who supported him in the election living in rural areas. THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. The president is someone that many Americans who supported in the election are living in rural areas. INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT
d. The president thinks that many Americans who supported him in the election are living in rural areas. INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC
e. The president is someone that the Americans who supported in the election are living in rural areas. DEFINITE | MOVEMENT
f. The president thinks that the Americans who supported him in the election are living in rural areas. DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 2

a. The Rock is someone that there are two producers who fired from their movie reaching out to other actors. THERE | MOVEMENT
b. The Rock knows that there are two producers who fired him from their movie reaching out to other actors. THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. The Rock is someone that two producers who fired from their movie are reaching out to other actors. INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT
d. The Rock knows that two producers who fired him from their movie are reaching out to other actors. INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC
e. The Rock is someone that the producers who fired from their movie are reaching out to other actors. DEFINITE | MOVEMENT
f. The Rock knows that the producers who fired him from their movie are reaching out to other actors. DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 3

a. The vice president is someone that there are many people who follow on social media disagreeing with Republicans. THERE | MOVEMENT
b. The vice president says that there are many people who follow him on social media disagreeing with Republicans. THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. The vice president is someone that many people who follow on social media are disagreeing with Republicans. INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT
d. The vice president says that many people who follow him on social media are disagreeing with Republicans.

e. The vice president is someone that the people who follow on social media are disagreeing with Republicans.

e. The vice president says that the people who follow him on social media are disagreeing with Republicans.

(100) Item 4

a. The queen is someone that there are some citizens who trust completely listening to the news.

b. The queen believes that there are some citizens who trust her completely listening to the news.

c. The queen is someone that some citizens who trust completely are listening to the news.

d. The queen believes that some citizens who trust her completely are listening to the news.

e. The queen is someone that the citizens who trust completely are listening to the news.

(101) Item 5

a. The first lady is someone that there are several reporters who meet during press events writing biographies.

b. The first lady claims that there are several reporters who meet her during press events writing biographies.

c. The first lady is someone that several reporters who meet during press events are writing biographies.

d. The first lady claims that several reporters who meet her during press events are writing biographies.

e. The first lady is someone that the reporters who meet during press events are writing biographies.

(102) Item 6

a. The pope is someone that there are countless worshippers who appreciate for all kinds of reasons attending church.

b. The pope hopes that there are countless worshippers who appreciate him for all kinds of reasons attending church.

c. The pope is someone that countless worshippers who appreciate for all kinds of reasons are attending church.

d. The pope hopes that countless worshippers who appreciate him for all kinds of reasons are attending church.

e. The pope is someone that the worshippers who appreciate for all kinds of reasons are attending church.

(103) Item 7

a. The governor is someone that there are two staffers who accompany on trips working on the schedule.

b. The governor says that there are two staffers who accompany him on trips working on the schedule.

c. The governor is someone that two staffers who accompany on trips are working on the schedule.

d. The governor says that two staffers who accompany him on trips are working on the schedule.

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e. The governor is someone that the staffers who accompany on trips are working on the schedule.  
DEFINITE | MOVEMENT
f. The governor says that the staffers who accompany him on trips are working on the schedule.  
DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

(104) ITEM 8

a. The Supreme Court is something that there are many experts who supported last year pushing for reform.  
THERE | MOVEMENT
b. The Supreme Court hopes that there are many experts who supported them last year pushing for reform.  
THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. The Supreme Court is something that many experts who supported last year are pushing for reform.  
INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT
d. The Supreme Court hopes that many experts who supported them last year are pushing for reform.  
INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC
e. The Supreme Court is something that the experts who supported last year are pushing for reform.  
DEFINITE | MOVEMENT
f. The Supreme Court hopes that the experts who supported them last year are pushing for reform.  
DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

(105) ITEM 9

a. The Dalai Lama is someone that there are some Americans who saw in 2014 venturing into Buddhism.  
THERE | MOVEMENT
b. The Dalai Lama thinks that there are some Americans who saw him in 2014 venturing into Buddhism.  
THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. The Dalai Lama is someone that some Americans who saw in 2014 are venturing into Buddhism.  
INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT
d. The Dalai Lama thinks that some Americans who saw him in 2014 are venturing into Buddhism.  
INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC
e. The Dalai Lama is someone that the Americans who saw in 2014 are venturing into Buddhism.  
DEFINITE | MOVEMENT
f. The Dalai Lama thinks that the Americans who saw him in 2014 are venturing into Buddhism.  
DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

(106) ITEM 10

a. Barack Obama is someone that there are numerous children who admired in 2008 getting involved in politics.  
THERE | MOVEMENT
b. Barack Obama believes that there are numerous children who admired him in 2008 getting involved in politics.  
THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. Barack Obama is someone that numerous children who admired in 2008 are getting involved in politics.  
INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT
d. Barack Obama believes that numerous children who admired him in 2008 are getting involved in politics.  
INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC
e. Barack Obama is someone that the children who admired in 2008 are getting involved in politics.  
DEFINITE | MOVEMENT
f. Barack Obama believes that the children who admired him in 2008 are getting involved in politics.  
DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

(107) ITEM 11

a. Beyoncé is someone that there are many listeners who saw at the Super Bowl listening to other artists.  
THERE | MOVEMENT
b. Beyoncé knows that there are many listeners who saw her at the Super Bowl listening to other artists.  
THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. Beyoncé is someone that many listeners who saw at the Super Bowl are listening to other artists.  
INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT
d. Beyoncé knows that many listeners who saw her at the Super Bowl are listening to other artists.  
INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC
e. Beyoncé is someone that the listeners who saw at the Super Bowl are listening to other artists.  
DEFINITE | MOVEMENT
f. Beyoncé knows that the listeners who saw her at the Super Bowl are listening to other artists.  

ITEM 12
a. Bernie Sanders is someone that there are several actors who endorsed in the elections starring in major movies.  
   THERE | MOVEMENT  
b. Bernie Sanders says that there are several actors who endorsed him in the elections starring in major movies.  
   THERE | ANAPHORIC  
c. Bernie Sanders is someone that several actors who endorsed in the elections are starring in major movies.  
   INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
d. Bernie Sanders says that several actors who endorsed him in the elections are starring in major movies.  
   INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC  
e. Bernie Sanders is someone that the actors who endorsed in the elections are starring in major movies.  
   DEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
f. Bernie Sanders says that the actors who endorsed him in the elections are starring in major movies.  
   DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 13
a. Oprah Winfrey is someone that there are multiple people who criticized for no good reason falling into bankruptcy.  
   THERE | MOVEMENT  
b. Oprah Winfrey believes that there are multiple people who criticized her for no good reason falling into bankruptcy.  
   THERE | ANAPHORIC  
c. Oprah Winfrey is someone that multiple people who criticized for no good reason are falling into bankruptcy.  
   INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
d. Oprah Winfrey believes that multiple people who criticized her for no good reason are falling into bankruptcy.  
   INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC  
e. Oprah Winfrey is someone that the people who criticized for no good reason are falling into bankruptcy.  
   DEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
f. Oprah Winfrey believes that the people who criticized her for no good reason are falling into bankruptcy.  
   DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 14
a. J.K. Rowling is someone that there are some writers who attack each year blogging about Harry Potter.  
   THERE | MOVEMENT  
b. J.K. Rowling claims that there are some writers who attack her each year blogging about Harry Potter.  
   THERE | ANAPHORIC  
c. J.K. Rowling is someone that some writers who attack each year are blogging about Harry Potter.  
   INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
d. J.K. Rowling claims that some writers who attack her each year are blogging about Harry Potter.  
   INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC  
e. J.K. Rowling is someone that the writers who attack each year are blogging about Harry Potter.  
   DEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
f. J.K. Rowling claims that the writers who attack her each year are blogging about Harry Potter.  
   DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 15
a. Bruno Mars is someone that there are many artists who appreciate enthusiastically working on new albums.  
   THERE | MOVEMENT  
b. Bruno Mars knows that there are many artists who appreciate him enthusiastically working on new albums.  
   THERE | ANAPHORIC  
c. Bruno Mars is someone that many artists who appreciate enthusiastically are working on new albums.  
   INDEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
d. Bruno Mars knows that many artists who appreciate him enthusiastically are working on new albums.  
   INDEFINITE | ANAPHORIC  
e. Bruno Mars is someone that the artists who appreciate enthusiastically are working on new albums.  
   DEFINITE | MOVEMENT  
f. Bruno Mars knows that the artists who appreciate him enthusiastically are working on new albums.  
   DEFINITE | ANAPHORIC
ITEM 16
a. Hillary Clinton is someone that there are some people who adored last year focusing on local elections.
   THERE | MOVEMENT
b. Hillary Clinton thinks that there are some people who adored her last year focusing on local elections.
   THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. Hillary Clinton is someone that some people who adored last year are focusing on local elections.
   INDEFinite | MOVEMENT
d. Hillary Clinton thinks that some people who adored her last year are focusing on local elections.
   INDEFinite | ANAPHORIC
e. Hillary Clinton is someone that the people who adored last year are focusing on local elections.
   DEFINite | MOVEMENT
f. Hillary Clinton thinks that the people who adored her last year are focusing on local elections.
   DEFINite | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 17
a. Leonardo DiCaprio is someone that there are three pool players who beat in a competition picking up new hobbies.
   THERE | MOVEMENT
b. Leonardo DiCaprio hopes that there are three pool players who beat him in a competition picking up new hobbies.
   THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. Leonardo DiCaprio is someone that three pool players who beat in a competition are picking up new hobbies.
   INDEFinite | MOVEMENT
d. Leonardo DiCaprio hopes that three pool players who beat him in a competition are picking up new hobbies.
   INDEFinite | ANAPHORIC
e. Leonardo DiCaprio is someone that the pool players who beat in a competition are picking up new hobbies.
   DEFINite | MOVEMENT
f. Leonardo DiCaprio hopes that the pool players who beat him in a competition are picking up new hobbies.
   DEFINite | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 18
a. Stephen Hawking is someone that there are some scientists who know from college expanding on theories of physics.
   THERE | MOVEMENT
b. Stephen Hawking claims that there are some scientists who know him from college expanding on theories of physics.
   THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. Stephen Hawking is someone that some scientists who know from college are expanding on theories of physics.
   INDEFinite | MOVEMENT
d. Stephen Hawking claims that some scientists who know him from college are expanding on theories of physics.
   INDEFinite | ANAPHORIC
e. Stephen Hawking is someone that the scientists who know from college are expanding on theories of physics.
   DEFINite | MOVEMENT
f. Stephen Hawking claims that the scientists who know him from college are expanding on theories of physics.
   DEFINite | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 19
a. Janet Jackson is someone that there are several dancers who admire in some way appearing on TV shows.
   THERE | MOVEMENT
b. Janet Jackson hopes that there are several dancers who admire her in some way appearing on TV shows.
   THERE | ANAPHORIC
c. Janet Jackson is someone that several dancers who admire in some way are appearing on TV shows.
   INDEFinite | MOVEMENT
d. Janet Jackson hopes that several dancers who admire her in some way are appearing on TV shows.
   INDEFinite | ANAPHORIC
e. Janet Jackson is someone that the dancers who admire in some way are appearing on TV shows.
   DEFINite | MOVEMENT
f. Janet Jackson hopes that the dancers who admire her in some way are appearing on TV shows.
   DEFINite | ANAPHORIC
ITEM 20

a. Vladimir Putin is someone that there are numerous journalists who met last year writing new books.

b. Vladimir Putin knows that there are several journalists who met him last year writing new books.

c. Vladimir Putin is someone that several journalists who met last year are writing new books.

d. Vladimir Putin knows that several journalists who met him last year are writing new books.

e. Vladimir Putin is someone that the journalists who met last year are writing new books.

f. Vladimir Putin knows that the journalists who met him last year are writing new books.

ITEM 21

a. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is someone that there are countless people who respect very much building on previous lawsuits.

b. Ruth Bader Ginsburg thinks that there are countless people who respect her very much building on previous lawsuits.

c. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is someone that countless people who respect very much are building on previous lawsuits.

d. Ruth Bader Ginsburg thinks that countless people who respect her very much are building on previous lawsuits.

e. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is someone that the people who respect very much are building on previous lawsuits.

f. Ruth Bader Ginsburg thinks that the people who respect her very much are building on previous lawsuits.

ITEM 22

a. Bill Gates is someone that there are several senators who appreciate for being honest learning about foreign hackers.

b. Bill Gates says that there are several senators who appreciate him for being honest learning about foreign hackers.

c. Bill Gates is someone that several senators who appreciate for being honest are learning about foreign hackers.

d. Bill Gates says that several senators who appreciate him for being honest are learning about foreign hackers.

e. Bill Gates is someone that the senators who appreciate for being honest are learning about foreign hackers.

f. Bill Gates says that the senators who appreciate him for being honest are learning about foreign hackers.

ITEM 23

a. Lady Gaga is someone that there are many admirers who add on Facebook thinking of new fashion statements.

b. Lady Gaga believes that there are many admirers who add her on Facebook thinking of new fashion statements.

c. Lady Gaga is someone that many admirers who add on Facebook are thinking of new fashion statements.

d. Lady Gaga believes that many admirers who add her on Facebook are thinking of new fashion statements.

e. Lady Gaga is someone that the admirers who add on Facebook are thinking of new fashion statements.

f. Lady Gaga believes that the admirers who add her on Facebook are thinking of new fashion statements.
### E.3 Experiment 3

**ITEM 1**

- a. Which show do you think that Mary claims that she is the only senator who watches?  
  - PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
- b. Who thinks that Mary claims that she is the only senator who watches this show?  
  - PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
- c. Which show do you think that Mary claims that only one senator watches?  
  - PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
- d. Who thinks that Mary claims that only one senator watches this show?  
  - PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
- e. Which show do you think that there is only one senator who watches?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
- f. Who thinks that there is only one senator who watches this show?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
- g. Which show do you think that there is only one senator watching?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
- h. Who thinks that there is only one senator watching this show?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
- i. Which show do you think that Mary heard the only senator who watches?  
  - OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
- j. Who thinks that Mary heard the only senator who watches this show?  
  - OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
- k. Which show do you think that Mary heard that only one senator watches?  
  - OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
- l. Who thinks that Mary heard that only one senator watches this show?  
  - OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

**ITEM 2**

- a. Which article did you say that Michael thinks that he is the only journalist who read?  
  - PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
- b. Who said that Michael thinks that he is the only journalist who read this article?  
  - PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
- c. Which article did you say that Michael thinks that only one journalist read?  
  - PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
- d. Who said that Michael thinks that only one journalist read this article?  
  - PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
- e. Which article did you say that there is only one journalist who read?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
- f. Who said that there is only one journalist who read this article?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
- g. Which article did you say that there was only one senator reading?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
- h. Who said that there was only one senator reading this article?  
  - EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
- i. Which article did you say that Michael remembered the only journalist who read?  
  - OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
- j. Who said that Michael remembered the only journalist who read this article?  
  - OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
- k. Which article did you say that Michael remembered that only one journalist read?  
  - OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
- l. Who said that Michael remembered that only one journalist read this article?  
  - OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
(123) ITEM 3

a. Which new library do you believe that Janine said that she is the only architect who designed?
   
   Which new library do you believe that Janine said that she is the only architect who designed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who believes that Janine said that she is the only architect who designed the new library?
   
   Who believes that Janine said that she is the only architect who designed the new library?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which new library do you believe that Janine said that only one architect designed?
   
   Which new library do you believe that Janine said that only one architect designed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who believes that Janine said that only one architect designed the new library?
   
   Who believes that Janine said that only one architect designed the new library?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which new library do you believe that there is only one architect who designed?
   
   Which new library do you believe that there is only one architect who designed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who believes that there is only one architect who designed the new library?
   
   Who believes that there is only one architect who designed the new library?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which new library do you believe that there is only one architect designing?
   
   Which new library do you believe that there is only one architect designing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who believes that there is only one architect designing the new library?
   
   Who believes that there is only one architect designing the new library?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which new library do you believe that Janine noticed the only architect who designed?
   
   Which new library do you believe that Janine noticed the only architect who designed?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who believes that Janine noticed the only architect who designed the new library?
   
   Who believes that Janine noticed the only architect who designed the new library?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which new library do you believe that Janine noticed that only one architect designed?
   
   Which new library do you believe that Janine noticed that only one architect designed?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who believes that Janine noticed that only one architect designed the new library?
   
   Who believes that Janine noticed that only one architect designed the new library?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

(124) ITEM 4

a. Which car do you hope that Ben said that he is the only family-member who drove?
   
   Which car do you hope that Ben said that he is the only family-member who drove?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who hopes that Ben said that he is the only family-member who drove your car?
   
   Who hopes that Ben said that he is the only family-member who drove your car?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which car do you hope that Ben said that only one family-member drove?
   
   Which car do you hope that Ben said that only one family-member drove?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who hopes that Ben said that only one family-member drove your car?
   
   Who hopes that Ben said that only one family-member drove your car?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which car do you hope that there is only one family-member who drove?
   
   Which car do you hope that there is only one family-member who drove?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who hopes that there is only one family-member who drove your car?
   
   Who hopes that there is only one family-member who drove your car?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which car do you hope that there is only one family-member driving?
   
   Which car do you hope that there is only one family-member driving?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who hopes that there is only one family-member driving your car?
   
   Who hopes that there is only one family-member driving your car?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which car do you hope that Ben recognized the only family-member who drove?
   
   Which car do you hope that Ben recognized the only family-member who drove?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who hopes that Ben recognized the only family-member who drove your car?
   
   Who hopes that Ben recognized the only family-member who drove your car?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which car do you hope that Ben recognized that only one family-member drove?
   
   Which car do you hope that Ben recognized that only one family-member drove?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who hopes that Ben recognized that only one family-member drove your car?
   
   Who hopes that Ben recognized that only one family-member drove your car?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

(125) ITEM 5

a. Which form do you know that Heather said that she is the only accountant who filed?
   
   Which form do you know that Heather said that she is the only accountant who filed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who knows that Heather said that she is the only accountant who filed this form?
   
   Who knows that Heather said that she is the only accountant who filed this form?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which form do you know that Heather said that only one accountant filed?
   
   Which form do you know that Heather said that only one accountant filed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who knows that Heather said that only one accountant filed this form?
   
   Who knows that Heather said that only one accountant filed this form?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which form do you know that there is only one accountant who filed?
   
   Which form do you know that there is only one accountant who filed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who knows that there is only one accountant who filed this form?
   
   Who knows that there is only one accountant who filed this form?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which form do you know that there is only one accountant filing?
   
   Which form do you know that there is only one accountant filing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who knows that there is only one accountant filing this form?
   
   Who knows that there is only one accountant filing this form?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which form do you know that Heather noticed the only accountant who filed?
   
   Which form do you know that Heather noticed the only accountant who filed?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who knows that Heather noticed the only accountant who filed this form?
   
   Who knows that Heather noticed the only accountant who filed this form?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which form do you know that Heather noticed that only one accountant filed?
   
   Which form do you know that Heather noticed that only one accountant filed?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who knows that Heather noticed that only one accountant filed this form?
   
   Who knows that Heather noticed that only one accountant filed this form?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
(126)  ITEM 6
a. Which apartment did you say that Adam thinks that he is the only tenant who occupied?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who said that Adam thinks that he is the only tenant who occupied your apartment?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which apartment did you say that Adam thinks that only one tenant occupied?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who said that Adam thinks that only one tenant occupied your apartment?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which apartment did you say that there is only one tenant who occupied?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who said that there is only one tenant who occupied your apartment?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which apartment did you say that there is only one tenant occupying?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who said that there is only one tenant occupying your apartment?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which apartment did you say that Adam found only one tenant who occupied?  OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who said that Adam found only one tenant who occupied your apartment?  OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which apartment did you say that Adam found that only one tenant occupied?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who said that Adam found that only one tenant occupied your apartment?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

(127)  ITEM 7
a. Which painting do you think that Courtney believes that she is the only art collector who bid on?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who thinks that Courtney believes that she is the only art collector who bid on this painting?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which painting do you think that Courtney believes that only one art collector bid on?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Who thinks that Courtney believes that only one art collector bid on this painting?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
e. Which painting do you think that there is only one art collector who bid on?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who thinks that there is only one art collector who bid on this painting?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which painting do you think that there is only one art collector bidding on?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who thinks that there is only one art collector bidding on this painting?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which painting do you think that Courtney saw the only art collector who bid on?  OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who thinks that Courtney saw the only art collector who bid on this painting?  OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which painting do you think that Courtney saw that only one art collector bid on?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who thinks that Courtney saw that only one art collector bid on this painting?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

(128)  ITEM 8
a. Which mailbox did you claim that Javier said that he is the only neighbor who opened?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who claimed that Javier said that he is the only neighbor who opened your mailbox?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which mailbox did you claim that Javier said that only one neighbor opened?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Who claimed that Javier said that only one neighbor opened your mailbox?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
e. Which mailbox did you claim that there is only one neighbor who opened?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who claimed that there is only one neighbor who opened your mailbox?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which mailbox did you claim that there is only one neighbor opening?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who claimed that there is only one neighbor opening your mailbox?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which mailbox did you claim that Javier heard the only neighbor who opened?  OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who claimed that Javier heard the only neighbor who opened your mailbox?  OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which mailbox did you claim that Javier heard that only one neighbor opened?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who claimed that Javier heard that only one neighbor opened your mailbox?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
ITEM 9

a. Which hiding spot do you believe that Serena hopes that she is the only kid who found?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who believes that Serena hopes that she is the only kid who found this hiding spot?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which hiding spot do you believe that Serena hopes that only one kid found?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who believes that Serena hopes that only one kid found this hiding spot?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which hiding spot do you believe that there is only one kid who found?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who believes that there is only one kid who found this hiding spot?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which hiding spot do you believe that there is only one kid finding?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who believes that there is only one kid finding this hiding spot?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which hiding spot do you believe that Serena noticed the only kid who found?  OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who believes that Serena noticed the only kid who found this hiding spot?  OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which hiding spot do you believe that Serena noticed that only one kid found?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who believes that Serena noticed that only one kid found this hiding spot?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 10

a. Which drink do you hope that Paul believes that he is the only customer who ordered?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who hopes that Paul believes that he is the only customer who ordered this drink?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which drink do you hope that Paul believes that only one customer ordered?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who hopes that Paul believes that only one customer ordered this drink?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which drink do you hope that there is only one customer who ordered?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who hopes that there is only one customer who ordered this drink?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which drink do you hope that there is only one customer ordering this drink?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who hopes that there is only one customer ordering this drink?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which drink do you hope that Paul heard the only customer who ordered?  OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who hopes that Paul heard the only customer who ordered this drink?  OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which drink do you hope that Paul heard that only one customer ordered?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who hopes that Paul heard that only one customer ordered this drink?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 11

a. Which park do you know that Leanne thinks that she is the only friend who recommended?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who knows that Leanne thinks that she is the only friend who recommended this park?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which park do you know that Leanne thinks that only one friend recommended?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who knows that Leanne thinks that only one friend recommended this park?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which park do you know that there is only one friend who recommended?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who knows that there is only one friend who recommended this park?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which park do you know that there is only one friend recommending?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who knows that there is only one friend recommending this park?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which park do you know that Leanne heard the only friend who recommended?  OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who knows that Leanne heard the only friend who recommended this park?  OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which park do you know that Leanne heard that only one friend recommended?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who knows that Leanne heard that only one friend recommended this park?  OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
(132) Item 12
a. Which bus do you think that Henry hopes that he was the only passenger who boarded?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

b. Who thinks that Henry hopes that he was the only passenger who boarded this bus?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

c. Which bus do you think that Henry hopes that only one passenger boarded?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

d. Who thinks that Henry hopes that only one passenger boarded this bus?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

e. Which bus do you think that there is only one passenger who boarded?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

f. Who thinks that there is only one passenger boarding this bus?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

g. Which bus do you think that there is only one passenger boarding?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

h. Which bus do you think that Henry saw the only passenger who boarded?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

i. Who thinks that Henry saw the only passenger who boarded this bus?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

j. Which bus do you think that Henry saw that only one passenger boarded?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

k. Which shoes did you say that there is only one player who wears?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

l. Which shoes did you say that Wanda discovered that only one player wears?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

(133) Item 13

a. Which shoes did you say that Wanda thinks that she is the only player who wears?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

b. Who said that Wanda thinks that she is the only player who wears these shoes?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

c. Which shoes did you say that Wanda thinks that only one player wears?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

d. Who said that Wanda thinks that only one player wears these shoes?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

e. Which shoes did you say that there is only one player who wears?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

f. Who said that there is only one player who wears these shoes?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

g. Which shoes did you say that there is only one player wearing?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

h. Who said that there is only one player wearing these shoes?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

i. Which shoes did you say that Wanda discovered the only player who wears?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

j. Who said that Wanda discovered the only player who wears these shoes?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

k. Which shoes did you say that Wanda discovered that only one player wears?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

l. Who said that Wanda discovered that only one player wears these shoes?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

(134) Item 14

a. Which tattoo did you claim that Karl says that he is the only artist who mentioned?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

b. Who claimed that Karl says that he is the only artist who mentioned your tattoo?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

c. Which tattoo did you claim that Karl says that only one artist mentioned?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

d. Who claimed that Karl says that only one artist mentioned your tattoo?  
   \[\text{Predicate} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

e. Which tattoo did you claim that there is only one artist who mentioned?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

f. Who claimed that there is only one artist who mentioned your tattoo?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

g. Which tattoo did you claim that there is only one artist mentioning?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

h. Who claimed that there is only one artist mentioning your tattoo?  
   \[\text{Existential} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

i. Which tattoo did you claim that Karl noticed the only artist who mentioned?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

j. Who claimed that Karl noticed the only artist who mentioned your tattoo?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Island} \mid \text{Short}\]

k. Which tattoo did you claim that Karl noticed that only one artist mentioned?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Long}\]

l. Who claimed that Karl noticed that only one artist that mentioned your tattoo?  
   \[\text{Object} \mid \text{Non-Island} \mid \text{Short}\]
(135) ITEM 15
a. Which flight do you believe that Octavia claimed that she is the only doctor who boarded? 
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who believes that Octavia claimed that she is the only doctor who boarded this flight? 
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which flight do you believe that Octavia claimed that only one doctor boarded? 
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who believes that Octavia claimed that only one doctor boarded this flight? 
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which flight do you believe that there is only one doctor who boarded? 
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who believes that there is only one doctor who boarded this flight? 
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which flight do you believe that there is only one doctor boarding? 
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who believes that there is only one doctor boarding this flight? 
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which flight do you believe that Octavia found the only doctor who boarded? 
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who believes that Octavia found the only doctor who boarded this flight? 
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which flight do you believe that Octavia found that only one doctor boarded? 
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who believes that Octavia found that only one doctor boarded this flight? 
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

(136) ITEM 16
a. Which classroom do you hope that Philip believes that he is the only custodian who cleaned? 
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who hopes that Philip believes that he is the only custodian who cleaned this classroom? 
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which classroom do you hope that Philip believes that only one custodian cleaned? 
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who hopes that Philip believes that only one custodian cleaned this classroom? 
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which classroom do you hope that there is only one custodian who cleaned? 
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who hopes that there is only one custodian who cleaned this classroom? 
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which classroom do you hope that there is only one custodian cleaning? 
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who hopes that there is only one custodian cleaning this classroom? 
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which classroom do you hope that Philip noticed the only custodian who cleaned? 
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who hopes that Philip noticed the only custodian who cleaned this classroom? 
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which classroom do you hope that Philip noticed that only one custodian cleaned? 
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who hopes that Philip noticed that only one custodian cleaned this classroom? 
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

(137) ITEM 17
a. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine hopes that she is the only customer who reviewed? 
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who knows that Jasmine hopes that she is the only customer who reviewed this repair shop? 
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine hopes that only one customer reviewed? 
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who knows that Jasmine hopes that only one customer reviewed this repair shop? 
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which repair shop do you know that there is only one customer who reviewed? 
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who knows that there is only one customer who reviewed this repair shop? 
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which repair shop do you know that there is only one customer reviewing? 
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who knows that there is only one customer reviewing this repair shop? 
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine saw the only customer who reviewed? 
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who knows that Jasmine saw the only customer who reviewed this repair shop? 
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine saw that only one customer reviewed? 
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who knows that Jasmine saw that only one customer reviewed this repair shop? 
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
ITEM 18
a. Which turtle do you think that Earl hopes that he is the only visitor who fed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who thinks that Earl hopes that he is the only visitor who fed this turtle?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which turtle do you think that Earl hopes that only one visitor fed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who thinks that Earl hopes that only one visitor fed this turtle?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which turtle do you think that there is only one visitor who fed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who thinks that there is only one visitor who fed this turtle?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which turtle do you think that there is only one visitor feeding?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who thinks that there is only one visitor feeding this turtle?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which turtle do you think that Earl found the only visitor who fed?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who thinks that Earl found the only visitor who fed this turtle?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which turtle do you think that Earl found that only one visitor fed?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who thinks that Earl found that only one visitor fed this turtle?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 19
a. Which book did you say that Farrah thinks that she is the only student who read?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who says that Farrah thinks that she is the only student who read this book?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which book did you say that Farrah thinks that only one student read?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who says that Farrah thinks that only one student read this book?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which book did you say that there is only one student who read?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who says that there is only one student who read this book?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which book did you say that there is only one student reading?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who says that there is only one student reading this book?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which book did you say that Farrah noticed the only student who read?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who says that Farrah noticed the only student who read this book?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which book did you say that Farrah noticed that only one student read?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who says that Farrah noticed that only one student read this book?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 20
a. Which patient did you claim that Otto says that he is the only nurse who helped?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who claimed that Otto says that he is the only nurse who helped this patient?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which patient did you claim that Otto says that only one surgeon helped?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who claimed that Otto says that only one nurse helped this patient?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which patient did you claim that there is only one nurse who helped?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who claimed that there is only one nurse who helps this patient?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which patient did you claim that there is only one nurse helping?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who claimed that there is only one nurse helping this patient?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which patient did you claim that Otto saw the only nurse who helped?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who claimed that Otto saw the only nurse who helped this patient?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which patient did you claim that Otto saw that only one nurse helped?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who claimed that Otto saw that only one nurse helped this patient?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
a. Which town do you believe that Ursula claimed that she is the only tourist who visited?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who believes that Ursula claimed that she is the only tourist who visited this town?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which town do you believe that Ursula claimed that only one tourist visited?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who believes that Ursula claimed that only one tourist visited this town?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which town do you believe that there is only one tourist who visited?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who believes that there is only one tourist who visited this town?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which town do you believe that there is only one tourist visiting?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who believes that there is only one tourist visiting this town?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which town do you believe that Ursula found the only tourist who explored?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who believes that Ursula found the only tourist who explored this town?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which town do you believe that Ursula found that only one tourist explored?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who believes that Ursula found that only one tourist explored this town?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

a. Which album do you hope that Alicia believes that she is the only critic who listened to?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who hopes that Alicia believes that she is the only critic who listened to this album?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which album do you hope that Alicia believes that only one critic listened to?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who hopes that Alicia believes that only one critic listened to this album?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which album do you hope that there is only one critic who listened to?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who hopes that there is only one critic who listened to this album?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which album do you hope that there is only one critic listening to?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who hopes that there is only one critic listening to this album?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which album do you hope that Alicia recognized only one critic who listened to?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who hopes that Alicia recognized only one critic who listened to this album?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which album do you hope that Alicia recognized that only one critic listened to?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who hopes that Alicia recognized that only one critic listened to this album?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

a. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny hopes that he is the only person who tasted?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
b. Who knows that Yanny hopes that he is the only person who tasted this ice cream flavor?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
c. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny hopes that only one person tasted?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
d. Who knows that Yanny hopes that only one person tasted this ice cream flavor?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
e. Which ice cream flavor do you know that there is only one person who tasted?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
f. Who knows that there is only one person who tasted this ice cream flavor?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
g. Which ice cream flavor do you know that there is only one person tasting?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
h. Who knows that there is only one person tasting this ice cream flavor?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
i. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny noticed the only person who tasted?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG
j. Who knows that Yanny noticed the only person who tasted this ice cream flavor?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT
k. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny noticed that only one person tasted?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG
l. Who knows that Yanny noticed that only one person tasted this ice cream flavor?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
(144) **Item 24**

a. Which ingredients do you think that Joshua hopes that he is the only chef who forgot?  
   **PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG**

b. Who thinks that Joshua hopes that he is the only chef who forgot the ingredients?  
   **PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT**

c. Which ingredients do you think that Joshua hopes that only one chef forgot?  
   **PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

d. Who thinks that Joshua hopes that only one chef forgot the ingredients?  
   **PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

e. Which ingredients do you think that there is only one chef who forgot?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG**

f. Who thinks that there is only one chef who forgot the ingredients?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT**

g. Which ingredients do you think that there is only one chef forgetting?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

h. Who thinks that there is only one chef forgetting the ingredients?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

i. Which ingredients do you think that Joshua mentioned the only chef who forgot?  
   **OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG**

j. Who thinks that Joshua mentioned the only chef who forgot the ingredients?  
   **OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT**

k. Which ingredients do you think that Joshua mentioned that only one chef forgot?  
   **OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

l. Who thinks that Joshua mentioned that only one chef forgot the ingredients?  
   **OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

(145) **Item 25**

a. Which shirt did you say that Miriam thinks that she is the only team-member who wore?  
   **PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG**

b. Who said that Miriam thinks that she is the only team-member who wore this shirt?  
   **PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT**

c. Which shirt did you say that Miriam thinks that only one team-member wore?  
   **PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

d. Who said that Miriam thinks that only one team-member wore this shirt?  
   **PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

e. Which shirt did you say that there is only one team-member who wore?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG**

f. Who said that there is only one team-member who wore this shirt?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT**

g. Which shirt did you say that there is only one team-member wearing?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

h. Who said that there is only one team-member wearing this shirt?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

i. Which shirt did you say that Miriam saw only one team-member who wore?  
   **OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG**

j. Who said that Miriam saw only one team-member who wore this shirt?  
   **OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT**

k. Which shirt did you say that Miriam saw that only one team-member wore?  
   **OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

l. Who said that Miriam saw that only one team-member wore this shirt?  
   **OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

(146) **Item 26**

a. Which box of cookies did you claim that Stan said that he is the only kid who ate?  
   **PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG**

b. Who claimed that Stan said that he is the only kid who ate this box of cookies?  
   **PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT**

c. Which box of cookies did you claim that Stan said that only one kid ate?  
   **PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

d. Who claimed that Stan said that only one kid ate this box of cookies?  
   **PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

e. Which box of cookies did you claim that there is only one kid who ate?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG**

f. Who claimed that there is only one kid who ate this box of cookies?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT**

g. Which box of cookies did you claim that there is only one kid eating?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

h. Who claimed that there is only one kid eating this box of cookies?  
   **EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

i. Which box of cookies did you claim that Stan found the only kid who ate?  
   **OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG**

j. Who claimed that Stan found the only kid who ate this box of cookies?  
   **OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT**

k. Which box of cookies did you claim that Stan found that only one kid ate?  
   **OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG**

l. Who claimed that Stan found that only one kid ate this box of cookies?  
   **OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT**

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ITEM 27

a. Which app do you believe that Maddy claimed that she is the only developer who built?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who believes that Maddy claimed that she is the only developer who built this app?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which app do you believe that Maddy claimed that only one developer built?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who believes that Maddy claimed that only one developer built this app?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which app do you believe that there is only one developer who built?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who believes that there is only one developer who built this app?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which app do you believe that there is only one developer building?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who believes that there is only one developer building this app?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which app do you believe that Maddy found the only developer who built?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who believes that Maddy found the only developer who built this app?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which app do you believe that Maddy found that only one developer built?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who believes that Maddy found that only one developer built this app?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 28

a. Which machine do you hope that Paul believes that he is the only employee who operates?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who hopes that Paul believes that he is the only employee who operates this machine?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which machine do you hope that Paul believes that only one employee operates?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who hopes that Paul believes that only one employee operates this machine?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which machine do you hope that there is only one employee who operates?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who hopes that there is only one employee who operates this machine?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which machine do you hope that there is only one employee operating?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who hopes that there is only one employee operating this machine?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which machine do you hope that Paul found the only employee who operates?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who hopes that Paul found the only employee who operates this machine?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which machine do you hope that Paul found that only one employee operates?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who hopes that Paul found that only one employee operates this machine?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 29

a. Which insect did you say that Janet hopes that she is the only scientist who studies?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who said that Janet hopes that she is the only scientist who studies this insect?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which insect did you say that Janet hopes that only one scientist studies?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who said that Janet hopes that only one scientist studies this insect?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which insect did you say that there is only one scientist who studies?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who said that there is only one scientist who studies this insect?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which insect did you say that there is only one scientist studying?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who said that there is only one scientist studying this insect?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which insect did you say that Janet noticed the only scientist who studies?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who said that Janet noticed the only scientist who studies this insect?  
   OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which insect did you say that Janet noticed that only one scientist studies?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who said that Janet noticed that only one scientist studies this insect?  
   OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
ITEM 30

a. Which taxi do you think that Mel hopes that he is the only guy who leased?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who thinks that Mel hopes that he is the only guy who leased this taxi?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which taxi do you think that Mel hopes that only one guy leased?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who thinks that Mel hopes that only one guy leased this taxi?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which taxi do you think that there is only one guy who leased?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who thinks that there is only one guy who leased this taxi?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which taxi do you think that there is only one guy leasing?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who thinks that there is only one guy leasing this taxi?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which taxi do you think that Mel saw the only guy who leased?  
OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who thinks that Mel saw the only guy who leased this taxi?  
OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which taxi do you think that Mel saw that only one guy leased?  
OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who thinks that Mel saw that only one guy leased this taxi?  
OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 31

a. Which comic book did you say that Nadine thinks that she is the only nerd who bought?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who said that Nadine thinks that she is the only nerd who bought this comic book?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which comic book did you say that Nadine thinks that only one nerd bought?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who said that Nadine thinks that only one nerd bought this comic book?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which comic book did you say that there is only one nerd who bought?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who said that there is only one nerd who bought this comic book?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which comic book did you say that there is only one nerd buying?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who said that there is only one nerd buying this comic book?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which comic book did you say that Nadine found the only nerd who bought?  
OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who said that Nadine found the only nerd who bought this comic book?  
OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which comic book did you say that Nadine found that only one nerd bought?  
OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who said that Nadine found that only one nerd bought this comic book?  
OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

ITEM 32

a. Which instrument did you claim that Grover said that he is the only musician who plays?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

b. Who claimed that Grover said that he is the only musician who plays this instrument?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

c. Which instrument did you claim that Grover said that only one musician plays?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Who claimed that Grover said that only one musician plays this instrument?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

e. Which instrument did you claim that there is only one musician who plays?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

f. Who claimed that there is only one musician who plays this instrument?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

g. Which instrument did you claim that there is only one musician playing?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

h. Who claimed that there is only one musician playing this instrument?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

i. Which instrument did you claim that Grover heard only one musician who plays?  
OBJECT | ISLAND | LONG

j. Who claimed that Grover heard only one musician who plays this instrument?  
OBJECT | ISLAND | SHORT

k. Which instrument did you claim that Grover heard that only one musician plays?  
OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | LONG

l. Who claimed that Grover heard that only one musician plays this instrument?  
OBJECT | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
(153) ITEM 33

a. Which iPhone do you believe that Jacky claims that she is the only student who uses?

b. Who believes that Jacky claims that she is the only student who uses this iPhone?

c. Which iPhone do you believe that Jacky claims that only one student uses?

b. Who believes that Jacky claims that only one student uses this iPhone?

e. Which iPhone do you believe that there is only one student who uses?

f. Who believes that there is only one student who uses this iPhone?

g. Which iPhone do you believe that there is only one student using?

h. Who believes that there is only one student using this iPhone?

i. Which iPhone do you believe that Jacky noticed the only student who uses?

j. Who believes that Jacky noticed that only one student uses this iPhone?

k. Which iPhone do you believe that Jacky noticed that only one student uses?

l. Who believes that Jacky noticed that only one student uses this iPhone?

(154) ITEM 34

a. Which kind of cookie do you hope that Zeke believes that he is the only co-worker who relishes?

b. Who hopes that Zeke believes that he is the only co-worker who relishes this kind of cookie?

c. Which kind of cookie do you hope that Zeke believes that only one co-worker relishes?

d. Who hopes that Zeke believes that only one co-worker enjoys this kind of cookie?

e. Which kind of cookie do you hope that there is only one co-worker who enjoys?

f. Who hopes that there is only one co-worker who enjoys this kind of cookie?

g. Which kind of cookie do you hope that there is only one co-worker enjoying?

h. Who hopes that there is only one co-worker who enjoys this kind of cookie?

i. Which kind of cookie do you hope that Zeke remembered the only co-worker who enjoys?

j. Who hopes that Zeke remembered the only co-worker who enjoys this kind of cookie?

k. Which kind of cookie do you hope that Zeke remembered that only one co-worker enjoys?

l. Who hopes that Zeke remembered that only one co-worker enjoys this kind of cookie?

(155) ITEM 35

a. Which grandparent do you know that Abby hopes that she is the only cousin who visited?

b. Who knows that Abby hopes that she is the only cousin who visited this grandparent?

c. Which grandparent do you know that Abby hopes that only one cousin visited?

d. Who knows that Abby hopes that only one cousin visited this grandparent?

e. Which grandma do you know that there is only one cousin who visited?

f. Who knows that there is only one cousin who visited your grandma?

g. Which grandma do you know that there is only one cousin visiting?

h. Who knows that there is only one cousin visiting your grandma?

i. Which grandma do you know that Abby remembered the only cousin who visited?

j. Who knows that Abby remembered the only cousin who visited your grandma?

k. Which grandma do you know that Abby remembered that only one cousin visited?

l. Who knows that Abby remembered only one cousin visited your grandma?
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(157) ITEM 1
a. Who thinks that Mary believes only one senator to have watched this show?        PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which show do you think that Mary believes only one senator to have watched?      PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who thinks that Mary believes that she is the only senator to have watched this show? PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which show do you think that Mary believes that she is the only senator to have watched? PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who thinks that Mary believes that there is only one senator watching this show?   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which show do you think that Mary believes that there is only one senator watching? EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who thinks that Mary believes that there is only one senator to have watched this show? EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which show do you think that Mary believes that there is only one senator to have watched? EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(158) ITEM 2
a. Who said that Michael proved only one journalist to have read this article?        PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which article did you say that Michael proved only one journalist to have read?      PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who said that Michael proved that he is the only journalist to have read this article? PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which article did you say that Michael proved that he is the only journalist to have read? PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who said that Michael proved that there was only one journalist reading this article? EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which article did you say that Michael proved that there was only one journalist reading? EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who said that Michael proved that there was only one journalist to have read this article? EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which article did you say that Michael proved that there was only one journalist to have read? EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
(159) ITEM 3
a. Who knows that Janine declared only one architect to have designed the new library?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which new library do you know that Janine declared only one architect to have designed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who knows that Janine declared that she is the only architect to have designed the new library?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which new library do you know that Janine declared that she is the only architect to have designed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who knows that Janine declared that there was only one architect designing the new library?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which new library do you know that Janine declared that there was only one architect designing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who knows that Janine declared that there was only one architect to have designed the new library?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which new library do you know that Janine declared that there was only one architect to have designed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(160) ITEM 4
a. Who hopes that Ben finds only one person to have stolen his car?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which car do you hope that Ben finds only one person to have stolen?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who hopes that Ben finds that he is the only person to have stolen his car?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which car do you hope that Ben finds that he is the only person to have stolen his car?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who hopes that Ben finds that there is only one person stealing his car?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which car do you hope that Ben finds that there is only one person stealing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who hopes that Ben finds that there is only one person to have stolen his car?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which car do you hope that Ben finds that there is only one person to have stolen?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(161) ITEM 5
a. Who knows that Heather assumed only one accountant to have filed this form?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which form do you know that Heather assumed only one accountant to have filed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who knows that Heather assumed that she is the only accountant to have filed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which form do you know that Heather assumed that she is the only accountant to have filed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who knows that Heather assumed that there is only one accountant filing this form?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which form do you know that Heather assumed that there is only one accountant filing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who knows that Heather assumed that there is only one accountant to have filed this form?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which form do you know that Heather assumed that there is only one accountant to have filed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(162) ITEM 6
a. Who said that Adam expects only one tenant to have occupied this apartment?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which apartment did you say that Adam expects only one tenant to have occupied?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who said that Adam expects that he is the only tenant to have occupied this apartment?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which apartment did you say that Adam expects that he is the only tenant to have occupied?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who said that Adam expects that there is only one tenant occupying this apartment?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
(163) ITEM 7

a. Who thinks that Courtney imagines only one art collector to have bid on this painting?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

b. Which painting do you think that Courtney imagines only one art collector to have bid on?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who thinks that Courtney imagines that she is the only art collector to have bid on this painting?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which painting do you think that Courtney imagines that she is the only art collector to have bid on?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who thinks that Courtney imagines that there is only one art collector bidding on this painting?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which painting do you think that Courtney imagines that there is only one art collector bidding on?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who thinks that Courtney imagines that there is only one art collector to have bid on this painting?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which painting do you think that Courtney imagines that there is only one art collector to have bid on?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(164) ITEM 8

a. Who claimed that Javier alleged only one mailman to have lost your mail?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which mail did you claim that Javier alleged only one mailman to have lost?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who claimed that Javier alleged that he is the only mailman to have lost your mail?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

d. Which mail did you claim that Javier alleged that he is the only mailman to have lost?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

e. Who claimed that Javier alleged that there is only one mailman losing your mail?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which mail did you claim that Javier alleged that there is only one mailman losing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who claimed that Javier alleged that there is only one neighbor to have opened your mailbox?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which mail did you claim that Javier alleged that there is only one neighbor to have opened?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(165) ITEM 9

a. Who believes that Serena proved only one kid to have done this chore?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which chore do you believe that Serena proved only one kid to have done?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who believes that Serena proved that she was the only kid to have done this chore?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which chore do you believe that Serena proved that she was the only kid to have done?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who believes that Serena proved that there was only one kid doing this chore?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which chore do you believe that Serena proved that there was only one kid doing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who believes that Serena proved that there was only one kid to have done this chore?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which chore do you believe that Serena proved that there was only one kid to have done?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
ITEM 10
a. Who hopes that Paul believes only one customer to have ordered this drink?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which drink do you hope that Paul believes only one customer to have ordered?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who hopes that Paul believes that he is the only customer to have ordered this drink?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which drink do you hope that Paul believes that he is the only customer to have ordered?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who hopes that Paul believes that there is only one customer ordering this drink?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which drink do you hope that Paul believes that there is only one customer ordering?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who hopes that Paul believes that there is only one customer to have ordered this drink?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which drink do you hope that Paul believes that there is only one customer to have ordered?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 11
a. Who knows that Leanne expects only one friend to have enjoyed this restaurant?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which restaurant do you know that Leanne expects only one friend to have enjoyed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who knows that Leanne expects that she is the only friend to have enjoyed this restaurant?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which restaurant do you know that Leanne expects that she is the only friend to have enjoyed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who knows that Leanne expects that there is only one friend enjoying this restaurant?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which restaurant do you know that Leanne expects that there is only one friend enjoying?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who knows that Leanne expects that there is only one friend to have enjoyed this restaurant?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which restaurant do you know that Leanne expects that there is only one friend to have enjoyed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 12
a. Who thinks that Henry found only one passenger to have boarded this bus?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which bus do you think that Henry found only one passenger to have boarded?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who thinks that Henry found that he was the only passenger to have boarded this bus?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which bus do you think that Henry found that he was the only passenger to have boarded?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who thinks that Henry found that there was only one passenger boarding this bus?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which bus do you think that Henry found that there was only one passenger boarding?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who thinks that Henry found that there was only one passenger to have boarded?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which bus do you think that Henry found that there was only one passenger to have boarded?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 13
a. Who said that Wanda imagines only one player to have worn these shoes?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which shoes did you say that Wanda imagines only one player to have worn?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who said that Wanda imagines that she is the only player to have worn these shoes?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which shoes did you say that Wanda imagines that she is the only player to have worn?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who said that Wanda imagines that there was only one player wearing these shoes?  

f. Which shoes did you say that Wanda imagines that there was only one player wearing?  

g. Who said that Wanda imagines that there was only one player to have worn these shoes?  

h. Which shoes did you say that Wanda imagines that there was only one player to have worn?  

i. Who claimed that Karl assumes only one artist to have discussed this sculpture?  

j. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes only one artist to have discussed?  

k. Who claimed that Karl assumes that he was the only artist to have discussed this sculpture?  

l. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes that he was the only artist to have discussed?  

m. Who claimed that Karl assumes that there was only one artist discussing this sculpture?  

n. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes that there was only one artist discussing?  

o. Who claimed that Karl assumes that there was only one artist to have discussed this sculpture?  

p. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes that there was only one artist to have discussed?  

(170) ITEM 14  
a. Who claimed that Karl assumes only one artist to have discussed this sculpture?  
b. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes only one artist to have discussed?  
c. Who claimed that Karl assumes that he was the only artist to have discussed this sculpture?  
d. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes that he was the only artist to have discussed?  
e. Who claimed that Karl assumes that there was only one artist discussing this sculpture?  
f. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes that there was only one artist discussing?  
g. Who claimed that Karl assumes that there was only one artist to have discussed this sculpture?  
h. Which sculpture did you claim that Karl assumes that there was only one artist to have discussed?  

(171) ITEM 15  
a. Who believes that Octavia declared only one doctor to have boarded this flight?  
b. Which flight do you believe that Octavia declared only one doctor to have boarded?  
c. Who believes that Octavia declared that she is the only doctor to have boarded?  
d. Which flight do you believe that Octavia declared that she is the only doctor to have boarded?  
e. Who believes that Octavia declared that there is only one doctor boarding this flight?  
f. Which flight do you believe that Octavia declared that there is only one doctor boarding?  
g. Who believes that Octavia declared that there is only one doctor to have boarded this flight?  
h. Which flight do you believe that Octavia declared that there is only one doctor to have boarded?  
i. Who hopes that Philip believes only one custodian to have cleaned this classroom?  
j. Which classroom do you hope that Philip believes only one custodian to have cleaned?  
k. Who hopes that Philip believes that he is the only custodian to clean this classroom?  
l. Which classroom do you hope that Philip believes that he is the only custodian to clean?  
m. Who hopes that Philip believes that there is only one custodian cleaning this classroom?  
n. Which classroom do you hope that Philip believes that there is only one custodian cleaning?  
o. Who hopes that Philip believes that there is only one custodian to have cleaned this classroom?  
p. Which classroom do you hope that Philip believes that there is only one custodian to have cleaned?  

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(172) ITEM 17
a. Who knows that Jasmine found only one customer to have reviewed this repair shop?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine found only one customer to have reviewed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who knows that Jasmine found that she was the only customer to have reviewed this repair shop?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine found that she was the only customer to have reviewed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who knows that Jasmine found that there was only one customer reviewing this repair shop?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine found that there was only one customer reviewing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who knows that Jasmine found that there was only one customer to have reviewed this repair shop?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which repair shop do you know that Jasmine found that there was only one customer to have reviewed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(173) ITEM 18
a. Who thinks that Earl declared only one visitor to have fed this turtle?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which turtle do you think that Earl declared only one visitor to have fed?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who thinks that Earl declared that he was the only visitor to have fed this turtle?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which turtle do you think that Earl declared that he was the only visitor to have fed?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who thinks that Earl declared that there was only one visitor feeding this turtle?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which turtle do you think that Earl declared that there was only one visitor feeding?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who thinks that Earl declared that there was only one visitor to have fed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which turtle do you think that Earl declared that there was only one visitor to have fed?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(174) ITEM 19
a. Who said that Farrah alleged only one student to have read this book?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which book did you say that Farrah alleged only one student to have read?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who said that Farrah alleged that she was the only student to have read this book?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which book did you say that Farrah alleged that she was the only student to have read?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who said that Farrah alleged that there was only one student reading this book?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which book did you say that Farrah alleged that there was only one student reading?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who said that Farrah alleged that there was only one student to have read this book?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which book did you say that Farrah alleged that there was only one student to have read?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(175) ITEM 20
a. Who claimed that Otto assumes only one nurse to have helped this patient?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which patient did you claim that Otto assumes only one nurse to have helped?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who claimed that Otto assumes that he was the only nurse to have helped this patient?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which patient did you claim that Otto assumes that he was the only nurse to have helped?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who claimed that Otto assumes that there was only one nurse helping this patient?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which patient did you claim that Otto assumes that there was only one nurse helping?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who claimed that Otto assumes that there was only one nurse to have helped this patient?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which patient did you claim that Otto assumes that there was only one nurse to have helped?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(176) ITEM 21
a. Who believes that Ursula proved only one tourist to have visited this town?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which town do you believe that Ursula proved only one tourist to have visited?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who believes that Ursula proved that she was the only tourist to have visited this town?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which town do you believe that Ursula proved that she was the only tourist to have visited?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who believes that Ursula proved that there was only one tourist visiting this town?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which town do you believe that Ursula proved that there was only one tourist visiting?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who believes that Ursula proved that there was only one tourist to have visited this town?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which town do you believe that Ursula proved that there was only one tourist to have visited?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(177) ITEM 22
a. Who hopes that Alicia expects only one critic to have listened to this album?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which album do you hope that Alicia expects only one critic to have listened to?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who hopes that Alicia expects that she was the only critic to have listened to this album?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which album do you hope that Alicia expects that she was the only critic to have listened to?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who hopes that Alicia expects that there was only one critic listening to this album?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which album do you hope that Alicia expects that there was only one critic listening to?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who hopes that Alicia expects that there was only one critic to have listened to this album?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which album do you hope that Alicia expects that there was only one critic to have listened to?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

(178) ITEM 23
a. Who knows that Yanny imagined only one person to have ordered this ice cream flavor?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny imagined only one person to have ordered?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who knows that Yanny imagined that he was the only person to have ordered this ice cream flavor?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny imagined that he was the only person to have ordered?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who knows that Yanny imagined that there was only one person ordering this ice cream flavor?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny imagined that there was only one person ordering?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who knows that Yanny imagined that there was only one person to have ordered this ice cream flavor?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which ice cream flavor do you know that Yanny imagined that there was only one person to have ordered?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
ITEM 24
a. Who thinks that Joshua assumes only one chef to have prepared this recipe?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which recipe do you think that Joshua assumes only one chef to have prepared?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who thinks that Joshua assumes that he was the only chef to have prepared this recipe?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which recipe do you think that Joshua assumes that he was the only chef to have prepared?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who thinks that Joshua assumes that there was only one chef preparing this recipe?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which recipe do you think that Joshua assumes that there was only one chef preparing?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who thinks that Joshua assumes that there was only one chef to have prepared this recipe?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which recipe do you think that Joshua assumes that there was only one chef to have prepared?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 25
a. Who said that Miriam alleged only one team-member to have completed this task?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which task did you say that Miriam alleged only one team-member to have completed?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who said that Miriam alleged that she was the only team-member to have completed this task?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which task did you say that Miriam alleged that she was the only team-member to have completed?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who said that Miriam alleged that there was only one team-member completing this task?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which task did you say that Miriam alleged that there was only one team-member completing?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who said that Miriam alleged that there was only one team-member to have completed this task?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which task did you say that Miriam alleged that there was only one team-member to have completed?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 26
a. Who claimed that Stan believes only one kid to have eaten this box of cookies?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
b. Which box of cookies did you say that Stan believes only one kid to have eaten?  PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG
c. Who claimed that Stan believes that he was the only kid to have eaten this box of cookies?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT
d. Which box of cookies did you claim that Stan believes that he was the only kid to have eaten?  PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG
e. Who claimed that Stan believes that there was only one kid eating this box of cookies?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT
f. Which box of cookies did you claim that Stan believes that there was only one kid eating?  EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG
g. Who claimed that Stan believes that there was only one kid to have eaten this box of cookies?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT
h. Which box of cookies did you claim that Stan believes that there was only one kid to have eaten?  EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
ITEM 27
a. Who believes that Maddy declared only one programmer to have built this app?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which app do you believe that Maddy declared only one programmer to have built?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who believes that Maddy declared that she was the only programmer to have built this app?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which app do you believe that Maddy declared that she was the only programmer to have built?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who believes that Maddy declared that there was only one programmer building this app?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which app do you believe that Maddy declared that there was only one programmer building?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who believes that Maddy declared that there was only one programmer to have built this app?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which app do you believe that Maddy declared that there was only one programmer to have built?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 28
a. Who hopes that Paul expects only one employee to have operated this machine?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which machine do you hope that Paul expects only one employee to have operated?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who hopes that Paul expects that he is the only employee to have operated this machine?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which machine do you hope that Paul expects that he is the only employee to have operated?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who hopes that Paul expects that there was only one employee operating this machine?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which machine do you hope that Paul expects that there was only one employee operating?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who hopes that Paul expects that there was only one employee to have operated this machine?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which machine do you hope that Paul expects that there was only one employee to have operated?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 29
a. Who said that Janet alleged only one scientist to have studied this insect?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which insect did you say that Janet alleged only one scientist to have studied?  
PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who said that Janet alleged that she was the only scientist to have studied this insect?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which insect did you say that Janet alleged that she was the only scientist to have studied?  
PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who said that Janet alleged that there was only one scientist studying this insect?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which insect did you say that Janet alleged that there was only one scientist studying?  
EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who said that Janet alleged that there was only one scientist to have studied this insect?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which insect did you say that Janet alleged that there was only one scientist to have studied?  
EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
ITEM 30

a. Who claimed that Grover proved only one musician to have played this instrument?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which instrument did you claim that Grover proved only one musician to have played?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who claimed that Grover proved that he was the only musician to have played this instrument?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which instrument did you claim that Grover proved that he was the only musician to have played?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who claimed that Grover proved that there was only one musician playing this instrument?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which instrument did you claim that Grover proved that there was only one musician playing?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who claimed that Grover proved that there was only one musician to have played this instrument?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which instrument did you claim that Grover proved that there was only one musician to have played?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 31

a. Who believes that Jacky found only one student to have used this iPhone model?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which iPhone model do you believe that Jacky found only one student to have used?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who believes that Jacky found that she was the only student to have used this iPhone model?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which iPhone model do you believe that Jacky found that she was the only student to have used?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who believes that Jacky found that there was only one student using this iPhone model?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which iPhone model do you believe that Jacky found that there was only one student using?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who believes that Jacky found that there was only one student to have used this iPhone model?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which iPhone model do you believe that Jacky found that there was only one student to have used?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG

ITEM 32

a. Who claimed that Nadine imagines only one parent to have bought this comic book?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

b. Which comic book did you claim that Nadine imagines only one parent to have read?  
   PREDICATE | NON-ISLAND | LONG

c. Who claimed that Nadine imagines that she is the only parent to have read this comic book?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | SHORT

d. Which comic book did you claim that Nadine imagines that she is the only parent to have read?  
   PREDICATE | ISLAND | LONG

e. Who claimed that Nadine imagines that there was only one parent reading this comic book?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | SHORT

f. Which comic book did you claim that Nadine imagines that there was only one parent reading?  
   EXISTENTIAL | NON-ISLAND | LONG

g. Who claimed that Nadine imagines that there was only one parent to have read this comic book?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | SHORT

h. Which comic book did you claim that Nadine imagines that there was only one parent to have read?  
   EXISTENTIAL | ISLAND | LONG
E.5  Experiment 5

(188)  ITEM 1
a. The president is someone that Mary is the only reporter to have endorsed.  PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The president thinks that Mary is the only reporter to have endorsed him.  PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The president is someone that Mary interrupted the only reporter to have endorsed.  OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The president thinks that Mary interrupted the only reporter to have endorsed him.  OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

(189)  ITEM 2
a. The Rock is someone that Maria is the only producer to have fired.  PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The Rock knows that Maria is the only producer to have fired him.  PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The Rock is someone that Maria met the only producer to have fired.  OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The Rock knows that Maria met the only producer to have fired him.  OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

(190)  ITEM 3
a. The vice president is someone that Jasmine is the only relative to have unfriended.  PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The vice president says that Jasmine is the only relative to have unfriended him.  PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The vice president is someone that Jasmine contacted the only relative to have unfriended.  OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The vice president says that Jasmine contacted the only relative to have unfriended him.  OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

(191)  ITEM 4
a. The Queen is someone that Henry is the only anarchist to have trusted.  PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The Queen believes that Henry is the only anarchist to have trusted her.  PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The Queen is someone that Henry criticized the only anarchist to have trusted.  OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The Queen believes that Henry criticized the only anarchist to have trusted her.  OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

(192)  ITEM 5
a. The first lady is someone that Paul is the only author to have met.  PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The first lady claims that Paul is the only author to have met her.  PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The first lady is someone that Paul called the only author to have met.  OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The first lady claims that Paul called the only author to have met her.  OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

(193)  ITEM 6
a. The Pope is someone that Darla is the only CEO to have supported.  PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The Pope hopes that Darla is the only CEO to have supported him.  PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The Pope is someone that Darla challenged the only CEO to have supported.  OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The Pope hopes that Darla challenged the only CEO to have supported him.  OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

(194)  ITEM 7
a. The governor is someone that Allison is the only staff-member to have reached.  PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The governor says that Allison is the only staff-member to have reached him.  PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The governor is someone that Allison admires the only staff-member to have reached.  OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The governor says that Allison admires the only staff-member to have reached him.  OBJECT | ANAPHORIC
ITEM 8
a. Dax Shepard is someone that Patricia is the only talkshow host to have insulted.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. Dax Shepard hopes that Patricia is the only talkshow host to have insulted him.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. Dax Shepard is someone that Patricia despises the only talkshow host to have insulted.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. Dax Shepard hopes that Patricia despises the only talkshow host to have insulted him.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 9
a. The Dalai Lama is someone that Rebecca is the only American to have seen.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. The Dalai Lama thinks that Rebecca is the only American to have seen him.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. The Dalai Lama is someone that Rebecca envies the only American to have seen.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. The Dalai Lama thinks that Rebecca envies the only American to have seen him.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 10
a. Barack Obama is someone that Stacy is the only Republican to have agreed with.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. Barack Obama believes that Stacy is the only Republican to have agreed with him.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. Barack Obama is someone that Stacy respects the only Republican to have agreed with.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. Barack Obama believes that Stacy respects the only Republican to have agreed with him.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 11
a. Beyoncé is someone that Walter is the only fan to have hugged.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. Beyoncé knows that Walter is the only fan to have hugged her.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. Beyoncé is someone that Walter admires the only fan to have hugged.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. Beyoncé knows that Walter admires the only fan to have hugged her.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 12
a. Bernie Sanders is someone that Crystal is the only mayor to have annoyed.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. Bernie Sanders says that Crystal is the only mayor to have annoyed him.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. Bernie Sanders is someone that Crystal teased the only mayor to have annoyed.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. Bernie Sanders says that Crystal teased the only mayor to have annoyed him.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 13
a. Oprah Winfrey is someone that Joel is the only celebrity to have mocked.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. Oprah Winfrey believes that Joel is the only celebrity to have mocked her.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. Oprah Winfrey is someone that Joel dislikes the only celebrity to have mocked.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. Oprah Winfrey believes that Joel dislikes the only celebrity to have mocked her.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 14
a. J.K. Rowling is someone that Larry is the only writer to have sued.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. J.K. Rowling claims that Larry is the only writer to have sued her.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. J.K. Rowling is someone that Larry ridiculed the only writer to have sued.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. J.K. Rowling claims that Larry ridiculed the only writer to have sued her.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC

ITEM 15
a. Ellen DeGeneres is someone that Seinfeld is the only comedian to have disappointed.  
   PREDICATE | MOVEMENT
b. Ellen DeGeneres knows that Seinfeld is the only comedian to have disappointed her.  
   PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC
c. Ellen DeGeneres is someone that Comedy Central fired the only comedian to have disappointed.  
   OBJECT | MOVEMENT
d. Ellen DeGeneres knows that Comedy Central fired the only comedian to have disappointed her.  
   OBJECT | ANAPHORIC
ITEM 16

a. Hillary Clinton is someone that Brandon is the only biographer to have researched.

b. Hillary Clinton thinks that Brandon is the only biographer to have researched her.

c. Hillary Clinton is someone that Brandon knows the only biographer to have researched.

d. Hillary Clinton thinks that Brandon knows the only biographer to have researched her.

ITEM 17

a. Leonardo DiCaprio is someone that Paula is the only pool player to have beat.

b. Leonardo DiCaprio believes that Paula is the only pool player to have beat him.

c. Leonardo DiCaprio is someone that Paula flattered the only pool player to have beat.

d. Leonardo DiCaprio believes that Paula flattered the only pool player to have beat him.

ITEM 18

a. Bill Nye is someone that Vivian is the only scientist to have condemned.

b. Bill Nye claims that Vivian is the only scientist to have condemned him.

c. Bill Nye is someone that Vivian interviewed the only scientist to have condemned.

d. Bill Nye claims that Vivian interviewed the only scientist to have condemned him.

ITEM 19

a. Janet Jackson is someone that Aaron is the only producer to have scrutinized.

b. Janet Jackson hopes that Aaron is the only producer to have scrutinized her.

c. Janet Jackson is someone that Aaron discussed the only producer to have scrutinized.

d. Janet Jackson hopes that Aaron discussed the only producer to have scrutinized her.

ITEM 20

a. Hermione Grainger is someone that Snape is the only professor to have doubted.

b. Hermione Grainger knows that Snape is the only professor to have doubted her.

c. Hermione Grainger is someone that Snape distrusts the only professor to have doubted.

d. Hermione Grainger knows that Snape distrusts the only professor to have doubted her.

ITEM 21

a. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is someone that Antonin is the only judge to have teased.

b. Ruth Bader Ginsburg thinks that Antonin is the only judge to have teased her.

c. Ruth Bader Ginsburg is someone that Antonin defended the only judge to have teased.

d. Ruth Bader Ginsburg thinks that Antonin defended the only judge to have teased her.

ITEM 22

a. Bill Gates is someone that Lauren is the only senator to have educated.

b. Bill Gates says that Lauren is the only senator to have educated him.

c. Bill Gates is someone that Lauren applauded the only senator to have educated.

d. Bill Gates says that Lauren applauded the only senator to have educated him.

ITEM 23

a. John Krasinski is someone that Alice is the only admirer to have messaged.

b. John Krasinski hopes that Alice is the only admirer to have messaged him.

c. John Krasinski is someone that Alice blocked the only admirer to have messaged.

d. John Krasinski hopes that Alice blocked the only admirer to have messaged him.
(211)  **ITEM 24**

- a. Laverne Cox is someone that Manuel is the only TV critic to have disliked.  
  
  **PREDICATE | MOVEMENT**

- b. Laverne Cox claims that Manuel is the only TV critic to have disliked her.  
  
  **PREDICATE | ANAPHORIC**

- c. Laverne Cox is someone that Manuel denounced the only TV critic to have disliked.  
  
  **OBJECT | MOVEMENT**

- d. Laverne Cox claims that Manuel denounced the only TV critic to have disliked her.  
  
  **OBJECT | ANAPHORIC**

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**F  Experiment 1 pen-and-paper survey sample**

[See following page.]
Welcome to my experiment! This task involves reading English sentences and rating how acceptable each sentence sounds to you. What I mean by *acceptability* here is how natural or normal the sentence sounds to you as a sentence of English. I am interested in your intuitive judgments, which might be different from the judgments you’d expect an English teacher to give. After each sentence, you’ll find a set of numbers from 1 to 6. Give your rating of the sentence by circling one of the numbers following that sentence. Use the following scale for reference, which is included at the top of each page.

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Using this scale, I might rate a sentence like “*Marianne asked the doctor to examine her knee*” as a 6, since it sounds like a normal sentence of English that I could imagine saying in the right circumstance. If I was presented with a sentence like “*Paul asked if such books Liz only reads at home*,” I might give it a 3—something’s a little off about it to me, and I know I would say it differently. Finally, I might give a sentence like “*I seem eating sushi*” a 1—I’m not entirely sure what it would even mean, and it’s definitely not something I could imagine myself or another fluent English speaker saying, even in the right situation. Okay, here are the sentences!

What did Peter predict a lending crisis that would trigger? 1 2 3 4 5 6

They all have left and they have done all so deliberately. 1 2 3 4 5 6

The fork is silver-plated and the bowl is enameled. 1 2 3 4 5 6

What did Stefan reveal the Uber driver who became? 1 2 3 4 5 6

How likely to win the race does Susan think John is? 1 2 3 4 5 6

John promised Mary to leave, and Sue did to write more poetry. 1 2 3 4 5 6

The students were punished by their parents and their teachers. 1 2 3 4 5 6

Bill asked if such books John only reads when at home. 1 2 3 4 5 6

I told you when we met that Bill will come to the party. 1 2 3 4 5 6

Who made the argument that the new council-member was supported by special interest groups? 1 2 3 4 5 6

Who discovered that story that painted Beatrice poorly? 1 2 3 4 5 6
What did Amanda teach that Americans started? 1 2 3 4 5 6
Joe broke a cup, and Marianne did so with a saucer. 1 2 3 4 5 6
What did Janet suggest artists who used for the mural? 1 2 3 4 5 6
What did Patty hint that a lawyer hopes to delay? 1 2 3 4 5 6
What did a stranger give to which friend of Amanda’s? 1 2 3 4 5 6
Who noticed that the teacher wears a bow-tie? 1 2 3 4 5 6
I told you when we met that Bill will come to the party. 1 2 3 4 5 6
Which book did Benjamin argue that Theo returned before reading? 1 2 3 4 5 6
What did Peter find that a newspaper reprinted? 1 2 3 4 5 6
Amanda went to Santa Cruz, and Bill thinks Claire to Monterey. 1 2 3 4 5 6
What the students believe is they will pass the exam. 1 2 3 4 5 6
Last night there was an attempt to shoot oneself. 1 2 3 4 5 6
What do you think that the lawyer forgot at the office? 1 2 3 4 5 6
Deciding which movie to see next makes John very happy. 1 2 3 4 5 6
When this column she started to write, I thought she would be fine. 1 2 3 4 5 6
At that battle the generals who lost were given hell. 1 2 3 4 5 6
Who claimed that the university wants to hire Stanley? 1 2 3 4 5 6
Who questioned that Tobias would finish the project? 1 2 3 4 5 6
What did Amelia warn that a government would take over? 1 2 3 4 5 6
Who did he give statues of to all the season-ticket holders? 1 2 3 4 5 6
What did Briana respect that the citizens dislike? 

Who understands that the teachers dislike unstapled papers? 

Who appreciated that Sally gave gifts to all her teachers? 

Lloyd Webber musicals are easy to condemn without even watching. 

What did the president predict that Jeb wouldn’t do? 

Sandy plays the guitar better than Betsy the harmonica. 

Who appreciated students who finished the optional assignment? 

Lily will dance with the person the king chooses. 

Who believes salesmen who wash their car every weekend? 

If frankly he’s unable to cope, we’ll have to replace him. 

Who confessed that the rival team planned to sabotage the event? 

Sarah convinced Bill that he would go to the party. 

I don’t think that I will invite any linguists to the party. 

What did Reggie believe that Peter fixed last week? 

Who the hell did Brenda suggest is in love with who? 

Max may have been studying, but Jason may have done so too. 

What did Anton expose a lie that the committee used up? 

What did Shelley mock a demand that the museum withdraw? 

Jack asked Sally to be allowed to take care of himself. 

The man that he gave the creeps last night to is over there.
Who had a dream that the local bakery would start selling donuts?  
1 2 3 4 5 6

The politician bribes very easily to avoid the draft.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

Who suggested that a book could inspire the practice of witchcraft?  
1 2 3 4 5 6

The cat and dog that were fighting all the time had to be separated.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

What did the teacher say the student gave to whom?  
1 2 3 4 5 6

Mary believed Peter finished school and Bill Peter got a job.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

It will take from three five days for him to recover.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

What did Alicia complain that the mechanic didn’t inspect?  
1 2 3 4 5 6

It will take three to five days for him to recover.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

Vivian believes without a doubt her team will win.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

There had all hung over the fireplace the portraits by Picasso.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

What did Joshua convey the feeling that the company shouldn’t oversee?  
1 2 3 4 5 6

I told Mr. Smith that I am able to paint the fence together.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

The tree grew a century’s growth within only ten years.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

He seems to that Kim might have solved the problems.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

John wants for each person to have fun that you do.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

I find it irritating that usually this street is closed.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

At that battle were given the generals who lost hell.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

They suspected and we believed Peter would visit the hospital.  
1 2 3 4 5 6

At that time, what did they believe that Peter fixed?  
1 2 3 4 5 6
Who made the excuse that Gina made the homework hard to read?

Who repeated a guarantee that the news story would reveal the president’s secrets?

Sherry met a man who she found herself very fond of.

That much the less you say, the smarter you will seem.

This is the man who I think will buy your house next year.

Into which room walked the three men that Daniel knows?

We students of physics are taller than you students of chemistry.

I expect that everyone will visit Mary that you do.

What did Steven speculate that the group would discover?

Who issued the threat that the county worker could condemn the property?

Who wrote the character in the book who is afraid of open spaces?

I talked to Mary, with whom you danced yesterday.

Who reported that a group had filed a lawsuit?

Who trusts that a senator cares about the constitution?

What does Brian remember that the students asked everyone in town for?

Who worried that a builder didn’t seal the windows?

What did Hector resent the request that the employee undergo?

Who likes the gardeners who mow the lawn once a month?

One interpreter tried to be assigned to every visiting diplomat.
If you have time, please take a moment to answer a few questions.

1. What is your age?

2. What is your gender?

3. Was it clear what the instructions were asking you to do?

4. What did you think of the task? Was it hard to choose a rating for the sentences?

5. Do you think you have an idea what the experiment was about?

6. One of the things I’m interested in learning from this experiment is whether one of the following sentences is more acceptable to people than the other. Note that the only difference is that “the” in the first sentence is switched with “a” in the second.

   • What did Nancy make the guess that the dog ate?

   • What did Nancy make a guess that the dog ate?

Most people would say that the first sentence is pretty bad, but for some people, the second sentence is slightly better and easier to understand. Would you agree?

7. Would you participate in an experiment like this again?

Thank you! :-)