Part 1: Ambiguity

I’m a linguist. I like ambiguity more than most people.
— Ana Elisa Vianna (shared on the Facebook page “Trust Me, I’m a ‘Linguist’)

Fill in two different disambiguating paraphrases for the following ambiguous sentences.

LEXICAL AMBIGUITY

(1) Let’s go to the bank.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:

(2) Paul wrote a few letters.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:

STRUCTURAL AMBIGUITY

(3) The spy saw the man with the telescope.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:

(4) This door is unlockable.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:

PRONOMINAL (/CONTEXTUAL) AMBIGUITY

(5) Susan invited Mary to the party. She was happy about it.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:

(6) Susan likes her sister, and Mary does, too.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:

QUANTIFIER SCOPE AMBIGUITY

(7) Every student didn’t turn in their paper.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:

(8) Two TAs are grading half of the papers.
    Paraphrase 1:
    Paraphrase 2:
Part 2: Antonymy and Opposition

- Contraries (Opposites):
  Cannot be true at the same time.

- Contradictories:
  Cannot be true at the same time and cannot be false at the same time.

PRACTICE:
Indicate whether the following pairs of sentences are opposites, contradictories, or neither.

Sentence 1: It is raining.
Sentence 2: The sun is shining.
The sentences are: Opposites ☐ Contradictories ☐ Neither ☐

Sentence 1: I never go to the movies.
Sentence 2: I sometimes go to the movies.
The sentences are: Opposites ☐ Contradictories ☐ Neither ☐

Sentence 1: It is hot.
Sentence 2: It is cold.
The sentences are: Opposites ☐ Contradictories ☐ Neither ☐

Sentence 1: I’m always cold.
Sentence 2: Sometimes, I’m not cold.
The sentences are: Opposites ☐ Contradictories ☐ Neither ☐

Sentence 1: The queen is dead.
Sentence 2: The queen is alive.
The sentences are: Opposites ☐ Contradictories ☐ Neither ☐

EXTRA ONE (HARD):
Sentence 1: The previous two sentences are opposites.
Sentence 2: The previous two sentences are contradictories.
The sentences are: Opposites ☐ Contradictories ☐ Neither ☐