Philosophy 240: Symbolic Logic Fall 2009

Homework Handout #1: Translating from Propositional Logic

Instructions: Use the given interpretations to translate the following sentences of propositional logic into natural English sentences.

A: "Emily is an aardvark" B: "Emily eats ants" C: "Emily plays in the sun" X: "Carolyn is an aardvark" Y: "Carolyn eats ants" Z: "Carolyn plays in the shade" 1. B • ~Y 2. $\sim C \lor Z$ 3. $\sim X \supset Z$ 4. $B \equiv Y$ 5. ~(A • ~X) 6. $(\mathbf{A} \bullet \mathbf{Y}) \lor (\sim \mathbf{X} \bullet \mathbf{B})$ 7. $(Y \supset B) \bullet \sim (B \supset \sim Z)$

8. $[(\ X \lor Z) \supset (\ C \lor B)] \bullet [(\ X \bullet A) \supset (\ Y \bullet Z)]$