

Homework Handout #4: Translating from Predicate Logic

Instructions: Use the given interpretations to translate the following arguments written in predicate logic into natural, English sentences.

Ax: "x is an athlete"  
Bx: "x is brawny"  
Cx: "x is a champion"  
m: "Mary"  
g: "Gail"  
n: "Ned"

1.     1.  $(x)(Ax \supset Bx)$   
       2.  $Am \cdot An$                  /  $Bm \cdot Bn$
  
2.     1.  $(x)(Ax \supset Bx)$   
       2.  $(x)(Bx \supset Cx)$              /  $(x)(Ax \supset Cx)$
  
3.     1.  $(x)(Bx \supset Cx)$   
       2.  $(\exists x)(Ax \cdot Bx)$            /  $(\exists x)(Ax \cdot Cx)$
  
4.     1.  $(x)(Ax \supset Bx)$   
       2.  $\sim Bm$                      /  $(\exists x)\sim Ax$
  
5.     1.  $(x)[Ax \supset (Bx \vee Cx)]$   
       2.  $Ag \cdot \sim Bg$                /  $Cg$
  
6.     1.  $(x)[(Ax \cdot Bx) \supset Cx]$   
       2.  $(\exists x)(Bx \cdot \sim Cx)$        /  $(\exists x)\sim Ax$
  
7.     1.  $(\exists x)Ax \supset (x)(Cx \supset Bx)$   
       2.  $(\exists x)(Ax \vee Bx)$   
       3.  $(x)(Bx \supset Ax)$              /  $(x)(Cx \supset Ax)$