**Worksheet Exercise 1.2.A.**

**Part A.** As you read the following passages, interpret each one in the ordinary way. For each passage, determine whether or not it is an argument. If it not an argument, write "not an argument" in the first blank. If it is an argument, then write the premises and conclusion of the argument (you may shorten them) in the blanks provided. For this exercise, do not try to add any missing parts.

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| **1.** | If you lie to a parrot, it will bite you. George has never lied to his parrot. So, his parrot has never bitten him. | prem: If you lie to a parrot, it will bite you.  
prem: George has never lied to his parrot.  
concl: His parrot has never bitten him. |
| **2.** | Earth worms are not carnivorous, because carnivores have teeth, and no earth worms do. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **3.** | Dogs always like bones. Susan's dog will therefore like these items I have brought. They are bones. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **4.** | Dogs always like bones. I have brought some items to Susan. They are bones. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **5.** | Your Honor, the traffic light was not red when I went through it. Please believe me. I am telling the truth. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **6.** | You have a good deal here. The item is not too expensive, and you can make good use of it. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **7.** | If inflation increases, then the price of gold will increase too. We have observed this matter. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **8.** | Since inflation is increasing, the price of gold is increasing too. We have observed this matter. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **9.** | The lecture was very boring. Everybody fell asleep. No one listened to anything that was said. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |
| **10.** | Everybody fell asleep. No one listened to anything that was said. So it's fair to say the lecture was boring. | prem:  
prem:  
concl: |