

Worksheet Exercise 4.6.A.B

Name _____

Demonstrating Invalidity

Class _____ Date _____

Part A. Show that these arguments are invalid. In each case give an appropriate domain and state description. Use the indicated symbolic letters, as well as additional name letters as needed. Your answers should look similar to the answer for #1. *

1. Nothings is a red pig. So, somethings are not red. (R, P)

D = { a, b }

$$\frac{Ra \quad Pa \quad Rb \quad Pb}{T \quad F \quad T \quad F}$$

For this domain and description:

Are the premisses = T ? yesIs the conclusion = F ? yes

2. George is smart. So, George is a smart person. (g, S, P)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

3. George is funny. So, some people are funny. (g, F, P)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

4. There are no funny people. So, George is not funny. (F, P, g)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

5. Some cats sing. Some cats dance. So, some cats sing and dance. (C, S, D)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

6. Some people are not singers. So, some singers are not people. (P, S)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

7. All cats have tails. So, all non-cats do not have tails. (C, T)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

8. All cats have tails. George has a tail. So, George is a cat. (C, T, g)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

9. All cats are smart. Some smarties are funny. So, some cats are funny. (C, S, F)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

10. All things are smart. All funny cats are smart. So, all cats are funny. (S, F, C)

D = { _____ }

Are the premisses = T ? _____

Is the conclusion = F ? _____

* Throughout, many different answers are possible.

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Part B. Show that the following arguments are invalid. In each case give an appropriate domain and state description. Your answers should look similar to the answer for #1.

(Don't use the domain individuals "a" and "b" here. Use the individuals "d" and "e" instead. Otherwise, things may get too confusing.)

11. $(\exists x)Ax \ \& \ (\exists x)Bx \ \therefore \ (\exists x)(Ax \ \& \ Bx)$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____

12. $(\forall x)(Ax \ \vee \ Bx) \ \therefore \ (\forall x)Ax \ \vee \ (\forall x)Bx$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____

13. $(\exists x)\sim(Ax \ \& \ Bx) \ \therefore \ (\exists x)\sim Ax \ \& \ (\exists x)\sim Bx$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____

14. $(\forall x)Ax \ \supset \ (\exists x)Bx \ \therefore \ (\exists x)Ax \ \supset \ (\forall x)Bx$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____

15. $(\forall x)Ax \ \supset \ (\forall x)Bx \ \therefore \ (\exists x)Ax \ \supset \ (\exists x)Bx$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____

16. $(\forall x)(Ax \ \supset \ Bx) \ \therefore \ (\forall x)[(Ax \ \vee \ Cx) \ \supset \ Bx]$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____

17. $(\forall x)(Ax \ \vee \ Bx) \ , \ (\forall x)(Bx \ \vee \ Cx) \ \therefore \ (\forall x)(Ax \ \vee \ Cx)$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____

18. $(\forall x)(Ax \ \vee \ Cx) \ , \ (\exists x)(Ax \ \& \ Bx) \ \therefore \ (\exists x)(Ax \ \& \ Cx)$
 $D = \{ \quad \}$ _____ Are the premisses = T ? _____
 Is the conclusion = F ? _____