

Worksheet Exercise 3.7.B.
Syllogistic Deductions

Name _____
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Part B. Give deductions for the following arguments by supplying steps and reasons. Use as many blanks as you need.

(1)
All babies are illogical. No one who can manage a crocodile is despised. Illogical persons are despised. So, babies cannot manage crocodiles.

1. all B are I
2. no M are D
3. all I are D \therefore all B are non-M
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4. _____
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(2)
None of my books are interesting. Every one of your writings is interesting. Only your writings are criticized by you. So, you are critical about none of my books.

1. no B are I
2. all W are I
3. all non-W are non-C \therefore no B are C
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(3)
No subscribers to the New York Times are not well-educated. No kangaroos can read. Whoever can not read is not well-educated. So, kangaroos do not subscribe to the New York Times.

1. no S are non-W
2. no K are R
3. all non-R are non-W \therefore all K are non-S
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(4)
 No one who cannot stir the hearts of men is a true poet. No one who does not truly understand human nature can stir the hearts of men. Only exceptional people truly understand human nature. Exceptional people are capable of wielding great power. Those who are capable of wielding great power are potentially very dangerous. So, true poets are potentially very dangerous.

[Hint: Try to use the Supersized version of the rule Univ Syll.]

1. no non-S are T
2. no non-U are S
3. all non-E are non-U
4. all E are W
5. all W are P \therefore all T are P
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(5)
 People who are sane can do logic. No lunatics are allowed to be on a jury. No one in your family can do logic. So, no one in your family is allowed to be on a jury.

1. all S are L
2. no non-S are A
3. no F are L \therefore no F are A
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(6)
 All lions are cats.
 All cats are felines.
 No reptiles are felines.
 All snakes are reptiles.
 All boas are snakes.
 Some pets are boas.
 All pets are cared for animals.
 So, not all cared for animals are lions.

1. All L are C
2. All C are F
3. No R are F
4. All S are R
5. All B are S
6. Some P are B
7. All P are A \therefore not all A are L
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[Hint: Divide the problem into two parts. First part, use Super Part Syll to derive the step "some pets are non-lions". Second part, with the help of the last premiss finish the deduction.]

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(7)

Monkeys are bold. Nothing bold is scared of a baby. Some monkeys are unimaginative. Whatever is scared of a gigantic baby with a machine gun is scared of a baby. So, not everything that is not scared of a gigantic baby with a machine gun is imaginative.

- 1. all M are B
- 2. no B are S
- 3. some M are non-I
- 4. all G are S ∴ not all non-G are I

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(8)

"A man's gotta know his limitations" – Dirty Harry (Clint Eastwood), Magnum Force, 1973.

To succeed in life, one must be able to achieve everything that is really important to one's life. No one can achieve everything that is really important to one's life if one does not know one's shortcomings. Knowing one's shortcomings means being able to admit that one makes mistakes. But, some people just can't admit that they make mistakes. So, some people will not succeed in life.

- 1. all S are A
- 2. no non-K are A
- 3. all K are M
- 4. some P are non-M ∴ some P are non-S

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