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A Note on a Study of Cases

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Like many others, we have used a language analyser which builds meaning representations expressing semantic case roles; specifically, Boguraev's (1979) analyser builds dependency trees with word senses defined by semantic category primitive formulae, and with case labels, ie semantic relation primitives, on the constituents of verb (and some other) structures. The category primitives, which are taken over from Wilks, are part of the analysis apparatus, as well as of its output. The relation primitives figure primarily in the output of analysis, derived from many sources, including conventional syntax; they have no systematic relation with Wilks' 'case-type' category primitives, and achieve a much more thoroughgoing semantic labelling of sentence structure than anything envisaged by Wilks (Wilks 1977).

Using the analyser for more varied and demanding purposes than Boguraev's original tests (see e.g. Boguraev and Sparck Jones 1983) left us dissatisfied with the original set of case relations. We therefore carried out a detailed analysis of a large sample of English sentences to evaluate our proposals for a better-founded and more comprehensive set of case relations. This study exploited F.T. Wood's 'English prepositional idioms' (Wood 1967), which provides a careful account, supported by extensive examples, of the uses of English prepositions and preposition-like terms. For instance:

WITHIN

(1) Inside

Within the house all was quiet.

The Kingdom of God is within you.

(2) Amongst the members of a group.

Opinion within the profession is divided.

(3) Inside specified bounds or limits.

They were ordered to remain within the precincts of the college.

The scholarship is open to anyone residing within fifty miles of the university.

He always strove to live within his income.

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Our study was intended to establish both the justification for each case relation individually, by reference to a range of sentences, and the plausibility of the set of relations as a whole, by reference to the complete set of sentences. Looking at Wood's description of a preposition's sense, and its accompanying illustration(s), we tried to assign a case label to the link between the sentence elements made by the

preposition which we felt captured the essential nature of that link, at the level of generality represented by a set of 20-30 cases. Thus 'location' would be the label associated with a number of specific space-relation prepositions, eg "above", "at", "by". The study was primarily concerned with prepositionally-based cases, but we considered other case instantiations, though not systematically. While additional cases might therefore be motivated by non-propositional sources we have not examined, we believe that a complete set would have to include something like our list, to cover prepositions adequately.

The study was a purely investigative one: we were interested in the legitimacy of the cases as characterisations of sentence relations, and did not address the question of how the specific assignments, for the individual sentences, could be achieved automatically. However as we had already demonstrated that a quite refined set of cases could be applied by Boguraev's existing analyser, and have since, as practical need has arisen, implemented further cases, we feel some confidence in the feasibility of automatic assignment of the cases in the present set. (This of course accepts that some individual sentences may present considerable difficulties.) In the exposition which follows we therefore include brief notes, as appropriate, of the kinds of syntactic and semantic sources we would expect an analyser combining conventional syntax with some Wilksian semantics to handle.

We are offering our results here not with any great claims about the especial novelty or merits of our case set, but rather as a practical contribution to the utilisation of case labels, justified by the large and varied sentence sample studied. Though domain-specific strategies may reduce the need to handle lexical ambiguity, especially in nouns and verbs but even in prepositions, it may nevertheless be necessary even in the domain-specific case to provide for distinct semantic functions in prepositions.

The remainder of this note therefore consists of

- (1) the list of our cases, with descriptive notes and illustrations;
- (2) extracts from the complete sentence set, showing
 - a) the treatment of all the senses of some prepositions, and
 - b) all the applications to different prepositions of some cases.

Complete listings for the full sentence set are available from the authors. We acknowledge the immense value of Wood as a source. We know there are some uncorrected errors in the sentence listings. This material was prepared in 1981. Since then the analyser has been extended, for example to deal with determiners, including quantity terms, particularly as these might be expressed as quantifiers. The treatment of quantities here is confined to those expressed through prepositions; however our experience with quantity terms has led us to make a small number of changes to the original 'quantity' case examples in our listings. Our ideas on states

have also changed, and our treatment of 'state' in the sentence listings is not necessarily what it would be now. However as the analyser does not tackle the 'state' case in other than very limited forms, and is certainly not comprehensive enough to deal with most of the examples in the sentence listings, we have left these unchanged.

We thus offer the data essentially in the modest hope that it may, in spite of its imperfections, be of some general practical utility, not least in drawing attention to the complexity of unrestricted natural English sentences and to the problems of providing convincing case-based representations for them.

(1) THE CASE LIST

In the examples each case, or tag, name is prefaced by its abbreviation. The meaning of the case is not explicitly defined, but is assumed to be ostended by the subsequent illustrations (and more particularly by the full sets of example sentences derived from Wood). Sources of the case are then indicated, for example the lexical entries for prepositions, or those for verb and adjective senses with characteristic (even idiomatic) accompanying prepositions, all of which embody contextual patterns; or the sources may be syntactic structures like embedded clauses and complements (our notes do not necessarily exhaust the possibilities here): these items are prefaced by "program", as these structures are identified by the analyser. Syntactic entities, ie the contents of particular ATN registers exploited by an analyser like ours, are not always correlated with particular cases: the correlation is context-dependent. Similarly, Wilks 'case-type' subformula primitives like OBJE may suggest, but are not necessarily correlated with, particular cases, and so are only indicated for situations where the correlation is very likely. The normal linkage marked by a case is between verb and noun group, but two nominal groups may also be case-linked, and also more than two items (though this is not common). In the illustrations we have adopted the convention of marking the head words of the two linked constituents by -. Thus the tag 'after' labels the relation between "left" and "breakfast" in "John left following breakfast", written as "John -left following -breakfast". In the cases where complete constituents like embedded clauses fill case roles, they are bracketted with [], and the whole item is marked with -. Those cases or sources we have not yet programmed are marked with a +.

There are 28 tags altogether. They are alphabetically ordered here on their abbreviations.

(acc) ACCOMPANIMENT

dictionary: eg "with"
can link nominals

John --went to the zoo (along) with --Mary.
John --went everywhere with his --violin.

(act) ACTIVITY

dictionary: eg "at"
program: embedded clauses

John --beat Mary at --chess.
Peter was --top of the class in --history.
Aloysius --beat Sebastian --running.
John --beat Peter in all their --examinations.
John --escaped (from) the --conflict.

(adest) +ABSTRACT-DESTINATION

dictionary: eg "to"

I --reached my --conclusion.
When heated, water --turns into --steam.

(aft) AFTER

dictionary: eg "after"
program: ing-phrases, +adverbials
can link nominals

John --left after --noon.
John --left after --Bill.
Peter --left following --breakfast.
Mary will come the --day after --tomorrow.
John, --[having bought the book], --took it home.

(ag) AGENT

program: contents of "subj" register
Wilks' primitive SUBJ may lead to agent

--He --bound the books.
--Mary --walked to town.
--Books --stimulate me.
John was --hit by --Bill.
--Malaria --killed the girl.
--Unemployment --depresses everyone.

(aloc) +ABSTRACT-LOCATION

dictionary: eg "in"

Parry was --fixed in his --mind that the Mafia was out to get him
sometime.
The four friends --shared the work between --them.

(asour) +ABSTRACT-SOURCE

dictionary: eg "from"

I --got them from --Bill.
The conclusion --followed from the --premises.
She --makes dresses of --silk.

(attr) ATTRIBUTE

dictionary: eg "with"

only links nominals (but perhaps in unobvious dependency)

The --girl in --blue was happy.
The --girl with the pink --hat was sad.

(bef) BEFORE

dictionary: eg "before"

+program: adverbials

can link nominals

John --left before --noon.

The stock market --was very active ahead of the --Budget.

Aloysius got married the --day before --yesterday.

(comp) +COMPARISON

dictionary: eg "as"

program: ?

can link nominals

John --passed as --Bill.

Mary --feels like a new --woman.

He was given --cash instead of --kind.

Time --flies like an --arrow.

(dest) DESTINATION

dictionary: eg "to"

John --went to --Paris.

Bill --walked up to --John.

John --marched into --town.

(dire) DIRECTION

dictionary: eg "down"

John --walked after --Bill.

John --ran down the --hill.

(force) FORCE

dictionary: eg "of"

The girl --died of --malaria.

The girl --died from an --accident.

(goal) GOAL

dictionary: eg "for"

program: to-complements

He --walked for --pleasure.

He --worked hard for his --money.

John --shot at --Mary.

John --went to town in order --[to buy a shirt].

(inst) INSTRUMENT

dictionary: eg "by"

+program: complements

The boy --caught the fish with a --minnow.

John --went to Paris by --plane.

John --sought visions through --drugs.

John --sought visions with the --help of drugs.

(loc) LOCATION

dictionary: eg "at"

Bill --lived in --Paris.

John --walked in the --park.

The --girl at --Smith's was not helpful about buying a book for a dyslexic child.

Sebastian --felt pain in his --foot.

John --felt pain behind his --ear.

(man) MANNER

dictionary: eg "with"

program: embedded clauses, +adverbs

They --ran with --speed.

John --did it --gladly.

Peter --won the race by --cunning.

John --argued in his own --way that he was being persecuted.

He --did it by --[working very hard].

(mobj) MENTAL-OBJECT

dictionary: eg "about"

program: embedded clauses, to-complements, that-complements

John --thought of --fish.

John --pretended --[he was a dragon].

John --planned --[to go to London].

John --threw light on the --problem.

John --told Mary --[that he believed her].

John --thought about --fish.

They --talked about --politics.

John --asked about the --fish.

(obj) OBJECT

(almost a default)

program: typically contents of "obj" register

(not necessarily correlated with OBJE)

John --bought --books.

John --threw --light on the problem.

--Books were --bought by John.

(poss) POSSESSED-BY

program: noun phrases (+limited treatment)

only links nominals

The --daughter of the --Mayor was blonde.

The --pocket of my uncle's --coat was empty.

The --leader of the --men was bald.

(quant) QUANTITY

program: noun phrases

can link nominals

There were four --students including a --dwarf.

It was too --long by twelve --inches.

(reas) REASON

dictionary: eg "of" (re predicate adjectives)

+eg "because of" (re nominals)

program: embedded clauses

John is --afraid of --spiders.

John is --afraid of --[being apprehended by the police].

John is --happy about --school.

John --drove slowly because of the --fog.

(rec) RECIPIENT

dictionary: eg "to"

program: contents of "obj" register

They --bought tickets for --her.

Susan --gave the flowers to --Jill.

John --kissed --Mary.

John --killed --Mary.

John --shot --Mary.
Mary made large --donations to --charity.

(sour) SOURCE

dictionary: eg "from"
She --took some money out of her --bag.
I --got them from --Paris.

(state) STATE

+dictionary eg "of"
program: predicate adjectives
Wilks' primitive KIND tends to lead to state
His conduct --is --admirable.
The apple --appeared --red.
He wears --green --trousers.
The apple --turned --red.--

(subj) SUBJECT

(almost a default)
program: various places
(not necessarily correlated with Wilks' primitive SUBJ)
--Books --are nice.
John is --fascinated by --books, especially ones published by
private presses.

(tloc) TIME-LOCATION

dictionary: eg "at"
They --ate breakfast at --noon.
John --runs in the --morning.
John --runs on --weekdays.
I --wrote my thesis during --1979.
John --sang during his --run in the park.

(tspan) TIME-SPAN

future dictionary: eg "throughout"
program: embedded clauses, ing-phrases
It --took me six --months to do it.
I --was a bus conductor for two --days.
Throughout --June it --rained every day.
John --sang --[running in the park].
John --slept during the --concert.
--[Running], Aloysius --beat Sebastian.

(2) SENTENCE EXAMPLES

These sentences, taken from Wood, cover all the straightforward senses of the prepositions, as numbered by Wood, with one sentence per sense. Each sentence is thus representative of the set of examples given for each sense by Wood; it is usually a direct copy of one of Wood's, though occasionally sentences have been simplified (primarily to make them shorter) or have been supplied to fill out Wood's remarks. Items explicitly described as "Phrases" in Wood, or obviously idiomatic expressions,

have not been included.

In the full set of example sentences * is used to flag items described by Wood as not strictly prepositions, but functioning as such, eg "concerning"; () flags items described by Wood as obsolete, eg "betwixt", and ? flags items not deemed by us to be regular prepositions because they are idioms, postverb prepositions, or non-prepositions, eg "on" in "on the make".

The constituents linked by the case relations are marked by -, and possibly also by [], as in the previous section; each sentence is preceded by the relevant case label, in its abbreviated form. Some sentences have more than one tag, for alternative readings.

In the complete sentence sample there are 421 sentences. The average number of sentences per case is 15, with low variation. However 'location' has 80 sentences, reflecting the very large number of different space-relation prepositions there are. It is possible that more specific space-location cases would be desirable, though the right level of discrimination and particular set would not be easy to establish. We are in any case not suggesting that the use of a case tag in the representation of a sentence delivered by the analyser makes it unnecessary to indicate the specific lexical sense of the preposition.

(a) extract from the complete sentence sample showing the full treatment of representative prepositions

ABOUT

/mobj/ I --know nothing about the --matter.
/subj/ There is --something about --him that I do not like.
/loc/ She --had a gold chain about her --neck.
/acc,loc/ She is a woman who likes to --have children about --her.
/loc/ Do you happen to --have his letter about --you?
/loc/ The papers were --scattered about the --floor.
/loc/ He --goes about the --country lecturing on the evils of drink.
/loc/ Mrs Jones does not appear to --be about the --house.
/??/ I was about to speak when my companion distracted me.
/act/ I do not like being interrupted when I --am about an important --task.

AMONG, AMONGST

/loc/ They live in that --house among the --trees.
/loc/ I --found the letter amongst some --papers
/dest,rec/ The food was --distributed amongst the --poor.
/asour/ They couldn't --raise five pounds among --them.

AT

/loc/ Mr Brown --is at the --office.
/tloc/ The concert --starts at half past --seven.

/loc/ At the second --roundabout, --turn left.
/dest/ We have --arrived at our --destination.
/act/ The two tribes --were constantly at --war.
/act/ She loved to watch the --children at --play.
/man/ He --left at a moment's --notice.
/man/ He --vaulted over the gate at a single --leap.
/force/ I have --called to see you at the --request of a friend.
/man/ Cars are --parked at their owners' --risk.
/man/ The car --whizzed along at sixty --miles an hour.
/force/ She felt sure she would --faint at the --sight of blood.
/dest/ As we passed the gate the dog --flew out at --us.
/act/ That boy --is clever at --mathematics.

BY

/ag/ The new library was --opened by the --Mayor.
/inst/ I shall --go by the 10.30 --train.
/obj/ He --seized me by the --arm.
/man/ He --succeeded by hard --work.
/man/ I --know him by --sight.
/loc/ She --sat by the --pillar.
/loc/ We --went by the --shop without realising it.
/bef/ They should have --been here by --now.
/tspan/ They decided to --travel by --night.
/quant/ We --lost the match by one --goal.
/reas/ She --was very generous by --nature.
/inst/ They always --addressed each other by their Christian --names.
/loc/ I --went from London to Manchester by --Sheffield.
/inst/ He --swore by all the --Gods he would conquer.
/attr/ He brought a --person by the --name of Smoth.
/quant/ The carpet is three --yards by --four.
/?/ The box is too heavy for me to lift by myself.
/quant/ --Little by --little his savings accumulated.
/quant/ Milk is --sold by the --pint.
/inst/ By my --watch, it'--s time for lunch.
/force/ The meeting will be --held in the school, by --permission of the headmaster.

(b) extract from the complete sentence sample showing the full set of sentences for representative cases

/acc/ I --believe with --Whitman that self-expression is all.
/acc/ I am sending you his --letter, together with my --reply.
/acc/ I will --dance with --you.
/acc/ Plant --disease, together with a prolonged --drought, has ruined the crops.
/acc/ The children --came without their --parents.
/acc/ There are other --people to be considered besides --you.
/acc/ Would you like to --come to the theatre with --us.
/acc,loc/ She is a woman who likes to --have children about --her.

/aloc/ --Opinion within the --profession is divided.
/aloc/ A duke --comes before a --viscount.
/aloc/ All our difficulties --are now behind --us.
/aloc/ As a scholar, he --is far above --me.
/aloc/ Don't let such a trivial matter as this --come between --us.

/aloc/ He --has nearly fifty men under --him.
/aloc/ He --has no malice in --him.
/aloc/ He --is on the --Board.
/aloc/ House prices are not likely to --fall below the present --level.
/aloc/ I am not in charge: I --have two people over --me.
/aloc/ Inside the --party there --is disagreement on policy.
/aloc/ My eldest son --is in the --navy.
/aloc/ She --is rather behind the --rest of the class.
/aloc/ The offender was --brought before the --magistrates.
/aloc/ The other Elizabethan dramatists --are far beneath --Shakespeare.
/aloc/ There had --been a lifelong friendship between --them.
/aloc/ There may --be nothing in the --rumour.
/aloc/ They --shared the work between --them.
/aloc/ We'--ve a difficult task in front of --us.
/aloc/ You will --find them under --'Biography'.

/inst/ By my --watch, it'--s time for lunch.
/inst/ He --looked at it through his --binoculars.
/inst/ He --swore by all the --Gods he would conquer.
/inst/ I managed to --beat the dog off with a --stick.
/inst/ I shall --go by the 10.30 --train.
/inst/ Many locomotives nowadays --run on --oil.
/inst/ Marian Evans --wrote under the --name George Eliot.
/inst/ The parcel was --wrapped in --paper.
/inst/ The poem has been --set to --music.
/inst/ The prosecution was --brought under the --Vagrancy Act.
/inst/ The repairs --cost me over five --pounds.
/inst/ The roof of the building is --supported on --pillars.
/inst/ They always --addressed each other by their Christian --names.
/inst/ You can --use that saucer for an --ashtray.

/man/ Cars are --parked at their owners' --risk.
/man/ He --is, without --doubt, a very able person.
/man/ He --left at a moment's --notice.
/man/ He --said nothing in --reply to my questions.
/man/ He --succeeded by hard --work.
/man/ He --vaulted over the gate at a single --leap.
/man/ I --did it without --thinking.
/man/ I --know him by --sight.
/man/ I only --said it in --fun.
/man/ It --is all right in --theory.
/man/ She --did the work to the --best of her ability.
/man/ She --lay back with her --eyes closed.
/man/ The car --whizzed along at sixty --miles an hour.
/man/ The child --screamed in --terror.
/man/ The last few years of his life were --spent in --poverty.
/man/ The water --shot up in a --fountain.
/man/ The work has been --carried out according to your --instructions.
/man/ They --played out of --tune.
/man/ They let him --have it on --loan.
/man/ To our --surprise, the train --was early.

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Sentence sample ordered by preposition

ABOUT

/mobj/ I --know nothing about the --matter.
/subj/ There is --something about --him that I do not like.
/loc/ She --had a gold chain about her --neck.
/acc,loc/ She is a woman who likes to --have children about --her.
/loc/ Do you happen to --have his letter about --you?
/loc/ The papers were --scattered about the --floor.
/loc/ He --goes about the --country lecturing on the evils of drink.
/loc/ Mrs Jones does not appear to --be about the --house.
/??/ I was about to speak when my companion distracted me.
/act/ I do not like being interrupted when I --am about an important --task.

ABOVE

/loc/ They lived in a --flat above the --shop.
/aloc/ As a scholar, he --is far above --me.
/quant/ There were not above a --hundred --people present.
/state/ His conduct --is above --criticism.
/state/ A true gentleman --is above --envy.

ACCORDING TO

/man/ The work has been --carried out according to your --instructions.
/force/ --Take one to three tablets, according to the --severity of the pain.
/asour/ According to the --forecast, we shall have --rain.

ACROSS

/dire/ He --swam across the --river.
/loc/ The bus stop --is just across the --road.
/loc/ At one point the railway --goes across the --road.

AFTER

/aft/ We will --discuss that matter after --dinner.
/tloc/ He --went away after a few --minutes.
/obj,loc/ We saw two boys dragging a --dog after --them.
/obj/ He fell and brought all the --books down after --him.
/adest/ I --shouted after --him.
/comp/ That is a --portrait after --Gainsborough.
/adest/ Mrs Jackson --asked after --you.
/??/ She offered to look after the children.

AGAINST

/obj/ --Are you for or against the --motion?
/force,dire/ He --swam against the --stream.
/loc/ He stood with his --back against the --door.
/force,dire/ She --struck her head against the --branch of a tree.
/goal/ They --laid in a good stock of fuel, against the hard --winter.

ALONG

/dire/ We --walked along the river --bank.
/loc/ The boy was --dragging his coat along the --ground.

ALONGSIDE

/loc/ Another car --drew up alongside --ours.
/comp/ His --works are second-rate, alongside --those of his contemporaries.

ALONG WITH cf ALONG

AMID, AMIDST

/loc,aloc/ The church --was a haven of quiet amid the --noise.
/loc/ Some of the wreckage --fell amid the --spectators.

AMONG, AMONGST

/loc/ They live in that --house among the --trees.
/loc/ I --found the letter amongst some --papers
/dest,rec/ The food was --distributed amongst the --poor.
/asour/ They couldn't --raise five pounds among --them.

APART FROM

/quant/ Apart from a --shilling, I have no --money.
/comp/ He has no --interests, apart from his --work.

AROUND cf ROUND

AS

/state/ He is well --known as an --authority.
/comp/ The picture shows --Irving as --Shylock.
/state/ The ship first --appeared as a mere --speck.
/goal/ I only --said it as a --joke.
/goal/ The thief --disguised himself as a --policeman.
/tspan/ As a --child, she --was rather delicate.
/reas/ We --chose this one as the most --suitable.
/comp/ I immediately recognised the --newcomer as the --man who threw an egg
at me.
/state/ He was always --known as --Archie.
/comp/ In some --cases final g is omitted, as in --"huntin".

*ASTRIDE

/loc,man/ He --sat astride the --chair.

AT

/loc/ Mr Bwown --is at the --office.
/tloc/ The concert --starts at half past --seven.
/loc/ At the second --roundabout, --turn left.
/dest/ We have --arrived at our --destination.
/act/ The two tribes --were constantly at --war.
/act/ She loved to watch the --children at --play.
/man/ He --left at a moment's --notice.
/man/ He --vaulted over the gate at a single --leap.
/force/ I have --called to see you at the --request of a friend.
/man/ Cars are --parked at their owners' --risk.
/man/ The car --whizzed along at sixty --miles an hour.
/force/ She felt sure she would --faint at the --sight of blood.
/dest/ As we passed the gate the dog --flew out at --us.
/act/ That boy --is clever at --mathematics.

ATHWART

/loc/ The mighty wreck --lay athwart the --stream.

BAR

/???/ It was all over bar the clearing up.

BECAUSE OF

/reas/ We had to --drive slowly, because of the --fog.

BEFORE

/bef/ We had to --get up before --sunrise.
/bef/ He came the --day before --Christmas.
/loc/ She --set a good meal before --us.
/aloc/ The offender was --brought before the --magistrates.
/bef/ --Before crossing the road, --look both ways.
/aloc/ A duke --comes before a --viscount.
/comp/ I'd choose --madeira before --port, any day.
/bef/ We did not --get home before --ten.

BEHIND

/loc/ There --is a garden behind the --house.
/loc/ He --concealed himself behind some --bushes.
/loc/ There --is a peg behind the --door.
/aft/ He left the office ten --minutes behind --me.
/aloc/ All our difficulties --are now behind --us.
/loc/ Please --close the gate behind --you.
/loc,aloc/ Someone has --left an umbrella behind --him.
/aloc/ She --is rather behind the --rest of the class.

BELOW

/loc/ He --had a bruise below his left --eye.
/aloc/ House prices are not likely to --fall below the present --level.
/quant/ The temperature fell below --60 --degrees Fahrenheit.
/loc/ The bus stop --is a few yards below the --cafe.

BENEATH

/loc/ They --sheltered beneath their --umbrellas.
/loc/ The --step beneath this --one is not very safe.
/aloc/ The other Elizabethan dramatists --are far beneath --Shakespeare.
/loc/ There --was a flower border beneath the --wall.
/force/ He --staggered beneath the --blow.
/state/ Such a fellow as that --is beneath my --notice.

BESIDE

/loc/ The little boy --stood beside his --mother.
/??/ What you say is beside the point.
/comp/ Beside --Shakespeare, --Marlowe strikes us as immature.

BESIDES

/acc/ There are other --people to be considered besides --you.

BETWEEN

/loc/ The church is --situated between the --school and the art --gallery.
/tspan/ The --years between --1929 and --1939 were marked by widespread unemployment.
/quant/ The repairs are likely to cost --[between --fifty and --sixty] --pounds.
/loc/ It is about thirty --miles between --York and --Little Widdrington.
/aloc/ Don't let such a trivial matter as this --come between --us.
/aloc/ They --shared the work between --them.
/aloc/ There had --been a lifelong friendship between --them.
/asour/ Between --them they --collected over fifty pounds.

(BETWIXT)

BEYOND

/loc/ We did not --get beyond --Oxford that day.

/state/ That fellow's insolence --is beyond --endurance.
/state/ His conduct has --been beyond --reproach.
/tspan/ I shall not --stay beyond an --hour.
/comp/ We can do --nothing beyond --what we have done already.

BUT

/quant/ I have told this to no --one but --you.

BY

/ag/ The new library was --opened by the --Mayor.
/inst/ I shall --go by the 10.30 --train.
/obj/ He --seized me by the --arm.
/man/ He --succeeded by hard --work.
/man/ I --know him by --sight.
/loc/ She --sat by the --pillar.
/loc/ We --went by the --shop without realising it.
/bef/ They should have --been here by --now.
/tspan/ They decided to --travel by --night.
/quant/ We --lost the match by one --goal.
/reas/ She --was very generous by --nature.
/inst/ They always --addressed each other by their Christian --names.
/loc/ I --went from London to Manchester by --Sheffield.
/inst/ He --swore by all the --Gods he would conquer.
/attr/ He brought a --person by the --name of Smoth.
/quant/ The carpet is three --yards by --four.
/??/ The box is too heavy for me to lift by myself.
/quant/ --Little by --little his savings accumulated.
/quant/ Milk is --sold by the --pint.
/inst/ By my --watch, it'--s time for lunch.
/force/ The meeting will be --held in the school, by --permission of the
headmaster.

*CONCERNING

/mobj/ We have no --information concerning his --whereabouts.

*CONSIDERING

/state/ The child --reads quite well, considering his --age.

(CUM)

DESPITE

/force/ He --persisted in going his own way, despite my --warning.

DOWN

/dire/ The bus --came down the --hill.
/obj/ The secretary --glanced down the --list of names.
/dire/ They went for a --row down the --river.
/dire/ He --went down the --road.
/dest/ He --went down to --Exeter.

DUE TO

/force/ The accident --was due to the --negligence of the signalman.

DURING

/tspan/ During the --winter we --play football.
/tloc/ The burglary --occurred during the --night.

(ERE)

(EX)

EXCEPT

/quant/ --Everyone except --Smith answered correctly.

EXCEPTING

/quant/ All --religions, not excepting --Christianity, are dying.

*EXCLUDING

/quant/ There were fifty --people present, excluding the --officials.

*FOLLOWING

/aft/ Following the --meeting, light refreshments will be --served.

FOR

/rec/ We have --brought a present for --Margaret.

/goal/ I am --going into this shop for --cigarettes.

/adest/ We have --had all our trouble for --nothing.

/act/ The motorist was --fined for careless --driving.

/rec/ My father --worked for an elderly --bookseller.

/subj/ I can only --speak for --myself.

/rec/ I shall --vote for --Wobbler.

/state/ He --was very good for a --beginner.

/inst/ You can --use that saucer for an --ashtray.

/tspan/ We have been --waiting for twenty --minutes.

/tloc/ The meeting is --arranged for next --Thursday.

/dest/ They made a --rush for the --exit.

/attr/ The --train for --Manchester starts from Platform 5.

/goal/ He --sells new lamps for --old.

/quant/ They have built one --house for every --two demolished.

/mobj/ Do you --take me for a --fool?

/?/ You may take my permission for granted.

/reas/ He was --decorated for his --bravery.

/comp/ The footprints --were rather large for a --dachshund.

/rec/ The jacket --was too big for --him.

/goal/ Red --is for --danger.

/tloc/ She has --won the prize for the third --time.

/force/ For all his --boasting, he has --achieved very little.

FROM

/sour/ We --set sail from --Liverpool.

/sour/ My father --came from --Yorkshire.

/asour/ Flour is --made from --wheat.

/loc/ From --where we stood we --got an excellent view of the procession.

/sour/ The fog --extended from --London to the coast of Kent.

/aft/ The library --is open from --seven.

/sour/ The aeroplane --rose from the --ground.

/loc/ A lamp --hung from the --ceiling.

/sour/ Smoke was --pouring from the upper --window.

/sour/ She --took some money from her --purse.

/asour/ From --what I know of him, I do not --think he is suitable.

/force/ The two explorers --died from --exposure.

/act/ He --saved a child from --drowning.

/comp/ We could not tell --one from the --other.

IN

/inst/ The parcel was --wrapped in --paper.

/loc/ They --lost themselves in the --fog.
/man/ The last few years of his life were --spent in --poverty.
/state/ He has not --been in good --health.
/state/ He --went in --fear of his life.
/tspan/ A fast train --does the journey in three --hours.
/tloc/ --Come back in half an --hour.
/state/ The house --was in --ruins.
/man/ I only --said it in --fun.
/aloc/ There may --be nothing in the --rumour.
/loc/ I --have rheumatism in my left --shoulder.
/act/ Her whole life was --spent in --helping others.
/state/ I --am entirely in --sympathy with all you say.
/state/ Everyone --seemed in a --hurry.
/state/ The bus --is not yet in --sight.
/aloc/ My eldest son --is in the --navy.
/loc/ There --was a nail in the --wall.
/attr/ In --shape the object was --circular.
/aloc/ He --has no malice in --him.
/force/ In the --event of an accident, --call the police.
/attr/ We have --furniture of this design in --oak and in --walnut.
/man/ The water --shot up in a --fountain.
/goal/ The plank was --sawn in --two.
/man/ The child --screamed in --terror.
/man/ He --said nothing in --reply to my questions.
/man/ It --is all right in --theory.
/state/ The orchestra --kept in --time very well.

IN ADDITION TO

/quant/ There were --[--crowds of --hangers on], in addition to regular
--supporters.

IN AMONGST cf AMONGST

IN BETWEEN cf BETWEEN

*INCLUDING

/quant/ There were twenty --people present, including two --children.

IN FRONT OF

/loc/ A dog was --lying asleep in front of the --fire.
/loc/ There --was a curtain in front of the --picture.
/loc/ They --got in front of the other --car.
/bef/ There --was considerable activity in industrial shares, in front of the
--Budget.
/aloc/ We'--ve a difficult task in front of --us.

IN LIEU OF

/comp/ He was given a month's --salary in lieu of --notice.

INSIDE

/loc/ Spectators --were not allowed inside the --enclosure.
/tloc/ I shall --be back inside an --hour.
/loc/ I --stepped just inside the --door.
/aloc/ Inside the --party there --is disagreement on policy.

IN SPITE OF

/force/ They --had a good holiday, in spite of the --weather.

INSTEAD OF

/comp/ Instead of the --cross, the --albatross about my neck was hung.
/comp/ We found ourselves in --Birkenhead instead of --Liverpool.

INTO

/dest/ I saw him --go into the --lock.
/obj/ She saw a figure leaning over and --gazing into the --river.
/adest/ Intense cold --turns water into --ice.

LESS

/attr/ It is eight hundred --pounds, less --commission.

*LIKE

/comp/ The flower --was something like a large --daisy.
/comp/ He --roared like a --bull.
/comp/ Why don't you --take things easy, like --me?

MINUS

/quant/ The --party arrived back minus --[--two of its --members].

NEAR

/loc/ They live in a --house near the --park.
/tloc/ It must be --getting near --dinner-time.
/state/ Your answer --is nowhere near --right.
/act/ We --were pretty near --giving up the search as hopeless.

NEXT TO

/loc/ They live in the --house next to --mine.

NOTWITHSTANDING

/force/ He --insisted on going to the football match, notwithstanding his
doctor's --advice.

OF

/poss/ This was the --home of the --de Veres.
/sour/ He was a --man of --Kent.
/poss/ He is the --Chancellor of the --University.
/ag/ There --were three of --them.
/mobj/ He --spoke to us of his --experiences in the Congo.
/asour/ It is --made of --mahogany.
/attr/ The park has many --rows of --trees.
/attr/ They arrested him on a --charge of --murder.
/attr/ The --construction of the --bridge was faulty.
/poss/ The --resignation of the --Premier was expected.
/attr/ There is a --smell of --petrol.
/attr/ He was a --person of --importance.
/bef/ He died within a few --hours of his hundredth --birthday.
/force/ He --died of --hunger.
/obj/ What do you --do of an --evening?

OFF

/sour/ The picture --fell off the --wall.
/sour/ We need to --get old lorries off the --road.
/loc/ Villiers --Street --is just off the Strand.
/asour/ The speaker kept --wandering off the --point.

ON

/loc/ The dog was --sleeping on the --mat.

/loc/ She --knocked on the --door.
/loc/ The school is --built on the --site of the old mansion.
/inst/ The roof of the building is --supported on --pillars.
/obj/ They --lived mostly on --vegetables from their garden.
/inst/ Many locomotives nowadays --run on --oil.
/loc/ Take the first --turning on your --left.
/aloc/ He --is on the --Board.
/act/ They --are on --parade.
/obj/ He is at --work on his tenth --novel.
/goal/ He called to --see me on --business.
/tloc/ They will --come on --Boxing Day.
/mobj/ He is busy with a --book on --Milton.
/act/ On --stepping out of his taxi he was --seized by two men.
/man/ They let him --have it on --loan.
/rec/ Don't --be hard on the --child.
/obj/ He is just a scrounger, who --lives on other --people.
/??/ He is always on the make.

ON ACCOUNT OF

/force/ On account of the --weather, we had to --cancel the outing.

ONTO, ON TO

/rec/ They tried to --put the blame on to --me.

*OPPOSITE

/loc/ I glanced at the --person opposite --me.

OUT OF

/sour/ The baby --fell out of its --cot.
/sour/ A stranger --came out of the --door.
/loc/ A nail was --sticking out of the --wall.
/asour/ You could have taken him for a --character out of --Dickens.
/state/ He --is out of --danger.
/loc/ It --is just out of --Nottingham on the way to Sheffield.
/state/ He --is now out of --work.
/man/ They --played out of --tune.
/quant/ --[--Nine out of --ten] --people would agree with you.
/quant/ Out of all the --people present, only --two spoke in favour.
/asour/ Flour is --made out of --wheat.
/reas/ She --did it out of --kindness.
/obj/ We --ran out of --petrol.
/state/ The matter --is out of my --hands.

OUTSIDE

/loc/ A car was --standing outside the --house.
/loc/ We were not allowed to --go outside the --grounds.
/comp/ He has few --hobbies or interests outside --golf.

OVER

/loc/ The aeroplane --flew over the --town.
/loc/ He --wore galoshes over his --shoes.
/loc/ She --wore a veil over her --face.
/aloc/ I am not in charge: I --have two people over --me.
/dire/ Instead of opening the gate, we --climbed over --it.
/dire/ The child --fell over the --cliff.
/force/ He --fell over a --stone.
/loc/ The --bridge over the --river is closed for repairs.
/loc/ Who lives in that --house over the --road?

/loc/ He --stood over --me while I wrote the letter.
/inst/ The repairs --cost me over five --pounds.
/tspan/ We can --discuss that matter over --dinner.
/act/ They are --taking a very long time over a simple --job.
/tspan,tloc/ I shall --travel over --night.
/obj/ It's no use --crying over --him.

PAST

/dire/ Someone has just --gone past the --window.
/dire/ The passenger fell asleep and --went past his --station.

PENDING

/bef/ The money must --remain in the hands of the trustees, pending a --ruling.

PER

/quant/ You get seventy --miles per --gallon.

PLUS

/quant/ There were three --children plus their --parents.

REGARDING

/mobj/ I can give you no --information regarding his --whereabouts.

RESPECTING

/mobj/ We had a long --discussion respecting the --course to be adopted.

ROUND

/loc/ She --had a string of pearls round her --neck.
/dire/ A hedge about six feet high --ran round the --field.
/obj/ They --wrapped a sheet of brown paper round the --parcel.
/loc/ I overheard the remarks of some of the --people round --me.
/loc/ The post office --is just round the --corner.
/dire/ A rumour --went round the --town that the Mayor had died.
/loc,aloc/ --Rally round your --leader.

ROUND ABOUT

/loc/ I love the --country round about --Wastwater.
/obj/ Round about a hundred --people are --expected.

(SAVE)

SINCE

/aft/ We have not --seen each other since our -- schooldays.

*THAN

/comp/ --He is older than his --brother.

THROUGH

/dire/ We had to --bore a hole through the --plank.
/dire/ The house could be --seen faintly through the --mist.
/dire/ The missile went --flying through the --air.
/dire/ They --made their way through the --desert.
/obj/ I have not --been through this --pile of papers.
/loc/ The diameter of a circle --passes through the --centre.
/asour/ I got to --know of it through a --friend.
/inst/ He --looked at it through his --binoculars.
/act/ The suspect was --put through a three-hour --interrogation.
/tspan/ We preferred to --travel through the --night.

/reas/ He --became ill through --overwork.

THROUGHOUT

/loc/ A search was --made throughout the --house.

/tspan/ It --poured with rain throughout the --night.

TILL

/bef/ In those days we had to --work till --six.

/bef/ I cannot --see you till --three.

TO

/obj/ He --pointed to an --object on the horizon.

/dest/ I am --going to --Leeds tomorrow.

/adest/ I have --come to the --end of my patience.

/dest/ We --walked on to the next --village.

/loc,aloc/ They --nailed thir colours to the --mast.

/dest/ Lot's wife was --changed to a --pillar of salt.

/rec/ I will --speak to your --father about the matter.

/rec/ She --gave an orange to --each of the children.

/rec/ The bridge is --closed to heavy --traffic.

/attr/ The --suit was made to --measure.

/man/ She --did the work to the --best of her ability.

/rec/ It --looks alright to --me.

/obj/ The bill --comes to three --pounds.

/comp/ --Two is to --four, as --three is to --six.

/attr/ This is a story with a --moral to --it.

/goal/ Let us --drink to the --health of the bride.

/rec/ She --was always kind to --children.

/loc,dest/ She --put her hands to her --head.

/loc/ He --sat near to --me.

/man/ To our --surprise, the train --was early.

/inst/ The poem has been --set to --music.

TOGETHER WITH

/acc/ I am sending you his --letter, together with my --reply.

/acc/ Plant --disease, together with a prolonged --drought, has ruined the crops.

TOWARDS

/dest/ The stranger --came towards --me.

/dest/ As we --got towards --Exeter the traffic became heavier.

/adest/ She must be --getting on towards --fifty.

/rec/ The proceeds of the jumble sale will --go towards the Church --fund.

UNDER

/loc/ They --sheltered under an --umbrella.

/loc/ Some primroses were --growing under the --hedge.

/aloc/ He --has nearly fifty men under --him.

/tspan/ The journey has --taken us under two --hours.

/inst/ The prosecution was --brought under the --Vagrancy Act.

/state/ He --was under great --strain.

/aloc/ You will --find them under --'Biography'.

/inst/ Marian Evans --wrote under the --name George Eliot.

/state/ The subject --is under --discussion.

UNDERNEATH

/loc/ A cat was --sleeping underneath the --table.

UNTIL cf TILL

(UNTO)

UP

/dire/ Jack and Jill --went up the --hill.
/dire/ He whistled as he --went up the --passege.

UPON cf ON

UP TO

/bef/ Up to the --outbreak of war I --lived in Bath.
/quant/ You will have to pay up to --thirty --pounds.

WITH

/acc/ Would you like to --come to the theatre with --us.
/acc/ I will --dance with --you.
/acc/ I --believe with --Whitman that self-expression is all.
/attr/ She married a --man with a large --fortune.
/obj/ They were --disappointed with the --result.
/obj/ We will --deal with that --matter later.
/obj/ The street was --littered with --paper.
/rec/ The proposals will not --go down with the --unions.
/inst/ I managed to --beat the dog off with a --stick.
/reas/ She was --shivering with --cold.
/man/ She --lay back with her --eyes closed.
/obj/ The waiter --arrived with the --tea.
/tloc/ We --rose with the --sun.
/force/ We must --change with the --times.
/force/ We --drifted with the --tide.
/state/ He --died with his life's --work unfinished.

WITHIN

/loc/ Within the --house all --was quiet.
/aloc/ --Opinion within the --profession is divided.
/state/ He always strove to --live within his --income.
/state/ It --was within my --grasp.
/tloc/ I shall --be back within an --hour.
/bef/ He --died within a few --days of his hundredth birthday.
/tloc/ He was --dead within a --week.

WITHOUT

/acc/ The children --came without their --parents.
/state/ For several days we --were without --food.
/man/ I --did it without --thinking.
/man/ He --is, without --doubt, a very able person.
/loc/ It --was without the --walls.

Sentence sample ordered by case

/??/ He is always on the make.
/??/ I was about to speak when my companion distracted me.
/??/ She offered to look after the children.
/??/ The box is too heavy for me to lift by myself.
/??/ What you say is beside the point.
/??/ You may take my permission for granted.
/???/ It was all over bar the clearing up.
/acc/ I --believe with --Whitman that self-expression is all.
/acc/ I am sending you his --letter, together with my --reply.
/acc/ I will --dance with --you.
/acc/ Plant --disease, together with a prolonged --drought, has ruined the crops.
/acc/ The children --came without their --parents.
/acc/ There are other --people to be considered besides --you.
/acc/ Would you like to --come to the theatre with --us.
/acc,loc/ She is a woman who likes to --have children about --her.
/act/ He --saved a child from --drowning.
/act/ Her whole life was --spent in --helping others.
/act/ I do not like being interrupted when I --am about an important --task.
/act/ On --stepping out of his taxi he was --seized by two men.
/act/ She loved to watch the --children at --play.
/act/ That boy --is clever at --mathematics.
/act/ The motorist was --fined for careless --driving.
/act/ The suspect was --put through a three-hour --interrogation.
/act/ The two tribes --were constantly at --war.
/act/ They --are on --parade.
/act/ They are --taking a very long time over a simple --job.
/act/ We --were pretty near --giving up the search as hopeless.
/adest/ I --shouted after --him.
/adest/ I have --come to the --end of my patience.
/adest/ Intense cold --turns water into --ice.
/adest/ Mrs Jackson --asked after --you.
/adest/ She must be --getting on towards --fifty.
/adest/ We have --had all our trouble for --nothing.
/aft/ Following the --meeting, light refreshments will be --served.
/aft/ He left the office ten --minutes behind --me.
/aft/ The library --is open from --seven.
/aft/ We have not --seen each other since our --schooldays.
/aft/ We will --discuss that matter after --dinner.
/ag/ The new library was --opened by the --Mayor.
/ag/ There --were three of --them.
/aloc/ --Opinion within the --profession is divided.
/aloc/ A duke --comes before a --viscount.
/aloc/ All our difficulties --are now behind --us.
/aloc/ As a scholar, he --is far above --me.
/aloc/ Don't let such a trivial matter as this --come between --us.
/aloc/ He --has nearly fifty men under --him.
/aloc/ He --has no malice in --him.
/aloc/ He --is on the --Board.
/aloc/ House prices are not likely to --fall below the present --level.
/aloc/ I am not in charge: I --have two people over --me.
/aloc/ Inside the --party there --is disagreement on policy.
/aloc/ My eldest son --is in the --navy.
/aloc/ She --is rather behind the --rest of the class.
/aloc/ The offender was --brought before the --magistrates.

/aloc/ The other Elizabethan dramatists --are far beneath --Shakespeare.
 /aloc/ There had --been a lifelong friendship between --them.
 /aloc/ There may --be nothing in the --rumour.
 /aloc/ They --shared the work between --them.
 /aloc/ We'--ve a difficult task in front of --us.
 /aloc/ You will --find them under --'Biography'.
 /asour/ According to the --forecast, we shall have --rain.
 /asour/ Between --them they --collected over fifty pounds.
 /asour/ Flour is --made from --wheat.
 /asour/ Flour is --made out of --wheat.
 /asour/ From --what I know of him, I do not --think he is suitable.
 /asour/ I got to --know of it through a --friend.
 /asour/ It is --made of --mahogany.
 /asour/ The speaker kept --wandering off the --point.
 /asour/ They couldn't --raise five pounds among --them.
 /asour/ You could have taken him for a --character out of --Dickens.
 /attr/ He brought a --person by the --name of Smoth.
 /attr/ He was a --person of --importance.
 /attr/ In --shape the object was --circular.
 /attr/ It is eight hundred --pounds, less --commission.
 /attr/ She married a --man with a large --fortune.
 /attr/ The --construction of the --bridge was faulty.
 /attr/ The --suit was made to --measure.
 /attr/ The --train for --Manchester starts from Platform 5.
 /attr/ The park has many --rows of --trees.
 /attr/ There is a --smell of --petrol.
 /attr/ They arrested him on a --charge of --murder.
 /attr/ This is a story with a --moral to --it.
 /attr/ We have --furniture of this design in --oak and in --walnut.
 /bef/ --Before crossing the road, --look both ways.
 /bef/ He --died within a few --days of his hundredth birthday.
 /bef/ He came the --day before --Christmas.
 /bef/ He died within a few --hours of his hundredth --birthday.
 /bef/ I cannot --see you till --three.
 /bef/ In those days we had to --work till --six.
 /bef/ The money must --remain in the hands of the trustees, pending a --ruling.
 /bef/ There --was considerable activity in industrial shares, in front of the
 --Budget.
 /bef/ They should have --been here by --now.
 /bef/ Up to the --outbreak of war I --lived in Bath.
 /bef/ We did not --get home before --ten.
 /bef/ We had to --get up before --sunrise.
 /comp/ --He is older than his --brother.
 /comp/ --Two is to --four, as --three is to --six.
 /comp/ Beside --Shakespeare, --Marlowe strikes us as immature.
 /comp/ He --roared like a --bull.
 /comp/ He has few --hobbies or interests outside --golf.
 /comp/ He has no --interests, apart from his --work.
 /comp/ He was given a month's --salary in lieu of --notice.
 /comp/ His --works are second-rate, alongside --those of his contemporaries.
 /comp/ I immediately recognised the --newcomer as the --man who threw an egg
 at me.
 /comp/ I'd choose --madeira before --port, any day.
 /comp/ In some --cases final g is omitted, as in --"huntin".
 /comp/ Instead of the --cross, the --albatross about my neck was hung.
 /comp/ That is a --portrait after --Gainsborough.
 /comp/ The flower --was something like a large --daisy.
 /comp/ The footprints --were rather large for a --dachshund.

/comp/ The picture shows --Irving as --Shylock.
 /comp/ We can do --nothing beyond --what we have done already.
 /comp/ We could not tell --one from the --other.
 /comp/ We found ourselves in --Birkenhead instead of --Liverpool.
 /comp/ Why don't you --take things easy, like --me?
 /dest/ As we --got towards --Exeter the traffic became heavier.
 /dest/ As we passed the gate the dog --flew out at --us.
 /dest/ He --went down to --Exeter.
 /dest/ I am --going to --Leeds tomorrow.
 /dest/ I saw him --go into the --lock.
 /dest/ Lot's wife was --changed to a --pillar of salt.
 /dest/ The stranger --came towards --me.
 /dest/ They made a --rush for the --exit.
 /dest/ We --walked on to the next --village.
 /dest/ We have --arrived at our --destination.
 /dest,rec/ The food was --distributed amongst the --poor.
 /dire/ A hedge about six feet high --ran round the --field.
 /dire/ A rumour --went round the --town that the Mayor had died.
 /dire/ He --swam across the --river.
 /dire/ He --went down the --road.
 /dire/ He whistled as he --went up the --passege.
 /dire/ Instead of opening the gate, we --climbed over --it.
 /dire/ Jack and Jill --went up the --hill.
 /dire/ Someone has just --gone past the --window.
 /dire/ The bus --came down the --hill.
 /dire/ The child --fell over the --cliff.
 /dire/ The house could be --seen faintly through the --mist.
 /dire/ The missile went --flying through the --air.
 /dire/ The passenger fell asleep and --went past his --station.
 /dire/ They --made their way through the --desert.
 /dire/ They went for a --row down the --river.
 /dire/ We --walked along the river --bank.
 /dire/ We had to --bore a hole through the --plank.
 /force/ --Take one to three tablets, according to the --severity of the pain.
 /force/ For all his --boasting, he has --achieved very little.
 /force/ He --died of --hunger.
 /force/ He --fell over a --stone.
 /force/ He --insisted on going to the football match, notwithstanding his
 doctor's --advice.
 /force/ He --persisted in going his own way, despite my --warning.
 /force/ He --staggered beneath the --blow.
 /force/ I have --called to see you at the --request of a friend.
 /force/ In the --event of an accident, --call the police.
 /force/ On account of the --weather, we had to --cancel the outing.
 /force/ She felt sure she would --faint at the --sight of blood.
 /force/ The accident --was due to the --negligence of the signalman.
 /force/ The meeting will be --held in the school, by --permission of the
 headmaster.
 /force/ The two explorers --died from --exposure.
 /force/ They --had a good holiday, in spite of the --weather.
 /force/ We --drifted with the --tide.
 /force/ We must --change with the --times.
 /force,dire/ He --swam against the --stream.
 /force,dire/ She --struck her head against the --branch of a tree.
 /goal/ He --sells new lamps for --old.
 /goal/ He called to --see me on --business.
 /goal/ I am --going into this shop for --cigarettes.
 /goal/ I only --said it as a --joke.

/goal/ Let us --drink to the --health of the bride.
 /goal/ Red --is for --danger.
 /goal/ The plank was --sawn in --two.
 /goal/ The thief --disguised himself as a --policeman.
 /goal/ They --laid in a good stock of fuel, against the hard --winter.
 /inst/ By my --watch, it'--s time for lunch.
 /inst/ He --looked at it through his --binoculars.
 /inst/ He --swore by all the --Gods he would conquer.
 /inst/ I managed to --beat the dog off with a --stick.
 /inst/ I shall --go by the 10.30 --train.
 /inst/ Many locomotives nowadays --run on --oil.
 /inst/ Marian Evans --wrote under the --name George Eliot.
 /inst/ The parcel was --wrapped in --paper.
 /inst/ The poem has been --set to --music.
 /inst/ The prosecution was --brought under the --Vagrancy Act.
 /inst/ The repairs --cost me over five --pounds.
 /inst/ The roof of the building is --supported on --pillars.
 /inst/ They always --addressed each other by their Christian --names.
 /inst/ You can --use that saucer for an --ashtray.
 /loc/ A car was --standing outside the --house.
 /loc/ A cat was --sleeping underneath the --table.
 /loc/ A dog was --lying asleep in front of the --fire.
 /loc/ A lamp --hung from the --ceiling.
 /loc/ A nail was --sticking out of the --wall.
 /loc/ A search was --made throughout the --house.
 /loc/ Another car --drew up alongside --ours.
 /loc/ At one point the railway --goes across the --road.
 /loc/ At the second --roundabout, --turn left.
 /loc/ Do you happen to --have his letter about --you?
 /loc/ From --where we stood we --got an excellent view of the procession.
 /loc/ He --concealed himself behind some --bushes.
 /loc/ He --goes about the --country lecturing on the evils of drink.
 /loc/ He --had a bruise below his left --eye.
 /loc/ He --sat near to --me.
 /loc/ He --stood over --me while I wrote the letter.
 /loc/ He --wore galoshes over his --shoes.
 /loc/ He stood with his --back against the --door.
 /loc/ I --found the letter amongst some --papers
 /loc/ I --have rheumatism in my left --shoulder.
 /loc/ I --stepped just inside the --door.
 /loc/ I --went from London to Machester by --Sheffield.
 /loc/ I glanced at the --person opposite --me.
 /loc/ I love the --country round about --Wastwater.
 /loc/ I overheard the remarks of some of the --people round --me.
 /loc/ It --is just out of --Nottingham on the way to Sheffield.
 /loc/ It --was without the --walls.
 /loc/ It is about thirty --miles between --York and --Little Widdrington.
 /loc/ Mr Bwown --is at the --office.
 /loc/ Mrs Jones does not appear to --be about the --house.
 /loc/ Please --close the gate behind --you.
 /loc/ She --had a gold chain about her --neck.
 /loc/ She --had a string of pearls round her --neck.
 /loc/ She --knocked on the --door.
 /loc/ She --sat by the --pillar.
 /loc/ She --set a good meal before --us.
 /loc/ She --wore a veil over her --face.
 /loc/ Some of the wreckage --fell amid the --spectators.
 /loc/ Some primroses were --growing under the --hedge.

/loc/ Spectators --were not allowed inside the --enclosure.
/loc/ Take the first --turning on your --left.
/loc/ The --bridge over the --river is closed for repairs.
/loc/ The --step beneath this --one is not very safe.
/loc/ The aeroplane --flew over the --town.
/loc/ The boy was --dragging his coat along the --ground.
/loc/ The bus stop --is a few yards below the --cafe.
/loc/ The bus stop --is just across the --road.
/loc/ The church is --situated between the --school and the art --gallery.
/loc/ The diameter of a circle --passes through the --centre.
/loc/ The dog was --sleeping on the --mat.
/loc/ The little boy --stood beside his --mother.
/loc/ The mighty wreck --lay athwart the --stream.
/loc/ The papers were --scattered about the --floor.
/loc/ The post office --is just round the --corner.
/loc/ The school is --built on the --site of the old mansion.
/loc/ There --is a garden behind the --house.
/loc/ There --is a peg behind the --door.
/loc/ There --was a curtain in front of the --picture.
/loc/ There --was a flower border beneath the --wall.
/loc/ There --was a nail in the --wall.
/loc/ They --got in front of the other --car.
/loc/ They --lost themselves in the --fog.
/loc/ They --sheltered beneath their --umbrellas.
/loc/ They --sheltered under an --umbrella.
/loc/ They live in a --house near the --park.
/loc/ They live in that --house among the --trees.
/loc/ They live in the --house next to --mine.
/loc/ They lived in a --flat above the --shop.
/loc/ Villiers --Street --is just off the Strand.
/loc/ We --went by the --shop without realising it.
/loc/ We did not --get beyond --Oxford that day.
/loc/ We were not allowed to --go outside the --grounds.
/loc/ Who lives in that --house over the --road?
/loc/ Within the --house all --was quiet.
/loc,aloc/ --Rally round your --leader.
/loc,aloc/ Someone has --left an umbrella behind --him.
/loc,aloc/ The church --was a haven of quiet amid the --noise.
/loc,aloc/ They --nailed thir colours to the --mast.
/loc,dest/ She --put her hands to her --head.
/loc,man/ He --sat astride the --chair.
/man/ Cars are --parked at their owners' --risk.
/man/ He --is, without --doubt, a very able person.
/man/ He --left at a moment's --notice.
/man/ He --said nothing in --reply to my questions.
/man/ He --succeeded by hard --work.
/man/ He --vaulted over the gate at a single --leap.
/man/ I --did it without --thinking.
/man/ I --know him by --sight.
/man/ I only --said it in --fun.
/man/ It --is all right in --theory.
/man/ She --did the work to the --best of her ability.
/man/ She --lay back with her --eyes closed.
/man/ The car --whizzed along at sixty --miles an hour.
/man/ The child --screamed in --terror.
/man/ The last few years of his life were --spent in --poverty.
/man/ The water --shot up in a --fountain.
/man/ The work has been --carried out according to your --instructions.

/man/ They --played out of --tune.
 /man/ They let him --have it on --loan.
 /man/ To our --surprise, the train --was early.
 /mobj/ Do you --take me for a --fool?
 /mobj/ He --spoke to us of his --experiences in the Congo.
 /mobj/ He is busy with a --book on --Milton.
 /mobj/ I --know nothing about the --matter.
 /mobj/ I can give you no --information regarding his --whereabouts.
 /mobj/ We had a long --discussion respecting the --course to be adopted.
 /mobj/ We have no --information concerning his --whereabouts.
 /obj/ --Are you for or against the --motion?
 /obj/ He --pointed to an --object on the horizon.
 /obj/ He --seized me by the --arm.
 /obj/ He fell and brought all the --books down after --him.
 /obj/ He is at --work on his tenth --novel.
 /obj/ He is just a scrounger, who --lives on other --people.
 /obj/ I have not --been through this --pile of papers.
 /obj/ It's no use --crying over --him.
 /obj/ Round about a hundred --people are --expected.
 /obj/ She saw a figure leaning over and --gazing into the --river.
 /obj/ The bill --comes to three --pounds.
 /obj/ The secretary --glanced down the --list of names.
 /obj/ The street was --littered with --paper.
 /obj/ The waiter --arrived with the --tea.
 /obj/ They --lived mostly on --vegetables from their garden.
 /obj/ They --wrapped a sheet of brown paper round the --parcel.
 /obj/ They were --disappointed with the --result.
 /obj/ We --ran out of --petrol.
 /obj/ We will --deal with that --matter later.
 /obj/ What do you --do of an --evening?
 /obj,loc/ We saw two boys dragging a --dog after --them.
 /poss/ He is the --Chancellor of the --University.
 /poss/ The --resignation of the --Premier was expected.
 /poss/ This was the --home of the --de Veres.
 /quant/ --Everyone except --Smith answered correctly.
 /quant/ --Little by --little his savings accumulated.
 /quant/ --[--Nine out of --ten] --people would agree with you.
 /quant/ All --religions, not excepting --Christianity, are dying.
 /quant/ Apart from a --shilling, I have no --money.
 /quant/ I have told this to no --one but --you.
 /quant/ Milk is --sold by the --pint.
 /quant/ Out of all the --people present, only --two spoke in favour.
 /quant/ The --party arrived back minus --[--two of its --members].
 /quant/ The carpet is three --yards by --four.
 /quant/ The repairs are likely to cost --[between --fifty and --sixty] --pounds.
 /quant/ The temperature fell below --60 --degrees Fahrenheit.
 /quant/ There were not above a --hundred --people present.
 /quant/ There were twenty --people present, including two --children.
 /quant/ There were --[--crowds of --hangers on], in addition to regular
 --supporters.
 /quant/ There were fifty --people present, excluding the --officials.
 /quant/ There were three --children plus their --parents.
 /quant/ They have built one --house for every --two demolished.
 /quant/ We --lost the match by one --goal.
 /quant/ You get seventy --miles per --gallon.
 /quant/ You will have to pay up to --thirty --pounds.
 /reas/ He --became ill through --overwork.
 /reas/ He was --decorated for his --bravery.

/reas/ She --did it out of --kindness.
 /reas/ She --was very generous by --nature.
 /reas/ She was --shivering with --cold.
 /reas/ We --chose this one as the most --suitable.
 /reas/ We had to --drive slowly, because of the --fog.
 /rec/ Don't --be hard on the --child.
 /rec/ I shall --vote for --Wobbler.
 /rec/ I will --speak to your --father about the matter.
 /rec/ It --looks alright to --me.
 /rec/ My father --worked for an elderly --bookseller.
 /rec/ She --gave an orange to --each of the children.
 /rec/ She --was always kind to --children.
 /rec/ The bridge is --closed to heavy --traffic.
 /rec/ The jacket --was too big for --him.
 /rec/ The proceeds of the jumble sale will --go towards the Church --fund.
 /rec/ The proposals will not --go down with the --unions.
 /rec/ They tried to --put the blame on to --me.
 /rec/ We have --brought a present for --Margaret.
 /sour/ A stranger --came out of the --door.
 /sour/ He was a --man of --Kent.
 /sour/ My father --came from --Yorkshire.
 /sour/ She --took some money from her --purse.
 /sour/ Smoke was --pouring from the upper --window.
 /sour/ The aeroplane --rose from the --ground.
 /sour/ The baby --fell out of its --cot.
 /sour/ The fog --extended from --London to the coast of Kent.
 /sour/ The picture --fell off the --wall.
 /sour/ We --set sail from --Liverpool.
 /sour/ We need to --get old lorries off the --road.
 /state/ A true gentleman --is above --envy.
 /state/ Everyone --seemed in a --hurry.
 /state/ For several days we --were without --food.
 /state/ He --died with his life's --work unfinished.
 /state/ He --is now out of --work.
 /state/ He --is out of --danger.
 /state/ He --was under great --strain.
 /state/ He --was very good for a --beginner.
 /state/ He --went in --fear of his life.
 /state/ He always strove to --live within his --income.
 /state/ He has not --been in good --health.
 /state/ He is well --known as an --authority.
 /state/ He was always --known as --Archie.
 /state/ His conduct --is above --criticism.
 /state/ His conduct has --been beyond --reproach.
 /state/ I --am entirely in --sympathy with all you say.
 /state/ It --was within my --grasp.
 /state/ Such a fellow as that --is beneath my --notice.
 /state/ That fellow's insolence --is beyond --endurance.
 /state/ The bus --is not yet in --sight.
 /state/ The child --reads quite well, considering his --age.
 /state/ The house --was in --ruins.
 /state/ The matter --is out of my --hands.
 /state/ The orchestra --kept in --time very well.
 /state/ The ship first --appeared as a mere --speck.
 /state/ The subject --is under --discussion.
 /state/ Your answer --is nowhere near --right.
 /subj/ I can only --speak for --myself.
 /subj/ There is --something about --him that I do not like.

/tloc/ --Come back in half an --hour.
/tloc/ He --went away after a few --minutes.
/tloc/ He was --dead within a --week.
/tloc/ I shall --be back inside an --hour.
/tloc/ I shall --be back within an --hour.
/tloc/ It must be --getting near --dinner-time.
/tloc/ She has --won the prize for the third --time.
/tloc/ The burglary --occurred during the --night.
/tloc/ The concert --starts at half past --seven.
/tloc/ The meeting is --arranged for next --Thursday.
/tloc/ They will --come on --Boxing Day.
/tloc/ We --rose with the --sun.
/tspan/ A fast train --does the journey in three --hours.
/tspan/ As a --child, she --was rather delicate.
/tspan/ During the --winter we --play football.
/tspan/ I shall not --stay beyond an --hour.
/tspan/ It --poured with rain throughout the --night.
/tspan/ The --years between --1929 and --1939 were marked by widespread
unemployment.
/tspan/ The journey has --taken us under two --hours.
/tspan/ They decided to --travel by --night.
/tspan/ We can --discuss that matter over --dinner.
/tspan/ We have been --waiting for twenty --minutes.
/tspan/ We preferred to --travel through the --night.
/tspan,tloc/ I shall --travel over --night.