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## Semantics: Tutorial on Situations

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1. Although English does not mark **evidentiality** grammatically, it can be expressed in other ways. Consider the following situation:  $S$  "Kim bit Sandy". How could you express the following situations:

- (1) You think  $S$  is true, but have no evidence
- (2) You saw  $S$  occur
- (3) You saw a bite mark on Sandy, matching Kim's dental work
- (4) Someone told you  $S$
- (5) You are Sandy, and you experienced  $S$

Are any of these expressed grammatically in a language that you speak?

2. Make up examples of each of the following semantic roles and translate the example into a language of your choice.

- agent
- patient
- theme
- experiencer
- beneficiary
- location
- source
- goal
- stimulus
- instrument

3. Make up examples of the following modalities and translate the example into a language of your choice.

- Epistemic (knowledge)
  - auxilliary
  - main verb
  - adverb
- Deontic (permission/obligation)
  - auxilliary
  - main verb
  - adverb