



## Practice Questions

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1. Determine the scope of each quantifier in the wffs below.

- a.  $\forall x[P(x) \wedge Q(y)]$
- b.  $P(x) \wedge \forall x[Q(x)]$
- c.  $\forall x[P(x) \rightarrow \exists y[D(y) \wedge L(x, y)]]$
- d.  $\exists y[D(y) \wedge \forall x[P(x) \rightarrow L(x, y)]]$
- e.  $\exists z[\exists y[P(x, y, z) \rightarrow Q(z)] \wedge \forall x[Q(x, y, z)]]$

2. For each formula, state which variables are free and which variables are bound.

- a.  $\forall x[P(x) \wedge Q(y)]$
- b.  $P(x) \wedge \forall x[Q(x)]$
- c.  $\forall x[P(x) \rightarrow \exists y[D(y) \wedge L(x, y)]]$
- d.  $\exists y[D(y) \wedge \forall x[P(x) \rightarrow L(x, y)]]$
- e.  $\exists z[\exists y[P(x, y, z) \rightarrow Q(z)] \wedge \forall x[Q(x, y, z)]]$



## Solutions

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1. Determine the scope of each quantifier in the wffs below.

a.  $\forall x[P(x) \wedge Q(y)]$   
 $\forall x: P(x) \wedge Q(y)$

b.  $P(x) \wedge \forall x[Q(x)]$   
 $\forall x: Q(x)$

c.  $\forall x[P(x) \rightarrow \exists y[D(y) \wedge L(x, y)]]$   
 $\forall x: P(x) \rightarrow \exists y[D(y) \wedge L(x, y)]$   
 $\exists y: D(y) \wedge L(x, y)$

d.  $\exists y[D(y) \wedge \forall x[P(x) \rightarrow L(x, y)]]$   
 $\exists y: D(y) \wedge \forall x[P(x) \rightarrow L(x, y)]$   
 $\forall x: P(x) \rightarrow L(x, y)$

e.  $\exists z[\exists y[P(x, y, z) \rightarrow Q(z)] \wedge \forall x[Q(x, y, z)]]$   
 $\exists z: \exists y[P(x, y, z) \rightarrow Q(z)] \wedge \forall x[Q(x, y, z)]$   
 $\exists y: P(x, y, z) \rightarrow Q(z)$   
 $\forall x: Q(x, y, z)$

2. For each formula, state which variables are free and which variables are bound. The underlined variables are free, while the variables with color are bound to the same colored quantifier.

a.  $\forall x[P(x) \wedge Q(\underline{y})]$

b.  $P(\underline{x}) \wedge \forall x[Q(x)]$

c.  $\forall x[P(x) \rightarrow \exists y[D(y) \wedge L(x, y)]]$

d.  $\exists y[D(y) \wedge \forall x[P(x) \rightarrow L(x, y)]]$

e.  $\exists z[\exists y[P(\underline{x}, y, z) \rightarrow Q(z)] \wedge \forall x[Q(x, \underline{y}, z)]]$