

| Thematic Role | Example |
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| AGENT | <i>The waiter</i> spilled the soup. |
| EXPERIENCER | <i>John</i> has a headache. |
| FORCE | <i>The wind</i> blows debris from the mall into our yards. |
| THEME | Only after Benjamin Franklin broke <i>the ice</i> ... |
| RESULT | The French government has built a <i>regulation-size baseball diamond</i> ... |
| CONTENT | Mona asked “ <i>You met Mary Ann at a supermarket</i> ”? |
| INSTRUMENT | He turned to poaching catfish, stunning them <i>with a shocking device</i> ... |
| BENEFICIARY | Whenever Ann Callahan makes hotel reservations <i>for her boss</i> ... |
| SOURCE | I flew in <i>from Boston</i> . |
| GOAL | I drove <i>to Portland</i> . |