The Structures of Topic Sentences
in
Baseball News Reports
(2)

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Introduction

Having in the previous paper dealt with the topic sentences headed exclusively by B (a batter or batters) and B's actions, the writer intends to deal in this paper with those headed by (A) P (a pitcher or pitchers), (B) BP (B and P in a compound structure), (C) TX (Team X), (D) R (a runner or runners), (E) TYF (a fielder or fielders of Team Y), and (F) TYF's Er (an error or errors by TYF).

The writer thus intends to make this paper wrap up the series of two papers titled the Structures of Topic Sentences in Baseball News Reports.

1. Revised Lists of Abbreviations and Signs

In the previous paper, the writer has given abbreviations and signs used for baseball terms on pages 3 and 4 and those for grammatical purposes on page 19.

The writer has been aware that he should have given better explanations to the sign act and that he should have set up the sign do sth. although it is almost
equivalent to the sign act.

In addition to the sign do sth, the writer has newly introduced in this paper one abbreviation r for the baseball term and eighteen signs for grammatical purposes: Bf, Bv, BP, B Pf, BPv, B/P, B/P’s, Erf, Erv, Pf, Pv, Rf, Rv, TXf, TXv, TYFf, TYFv, and †.

In the following are set forth the revised lists of abbreviations and signs and some explanatory notes.

**ABBREVIATIONS for Baseball Terms**

B: a batter or batters
F: a fielder or fielders (catcher, center fielder, first baseman, short-stop, etc.)
l.s.: losing streak
M: a manager
P: a pitcher or pitchers
R: a runner or runners
r: a run or runs
RBI: a run batted in
w.s.: winning streak

**SIGNS for Baseball Terms**

act: (See the explanatory examples for ‘act or do sth’ below, pp 24-48)
action: the noun form derived from ‘act’ given above.
Ba, Bb, Bc, Bd: each represents a batter’s name
do sth: (See the explanatory examples for ‘act or do sth’ below, pp 24-48)
d: runs scored by TX
e: runs scored by TY
f: runs scored by TX in the second game of a doubleheader
g: runs scored by TY in the second game of a doubleheader
Er: an error or errors (throwing error, wildness, etc.)
Fa, Fb, Fc, Fd: each represents a fielder's name
n, q: each represents a figure
Ma: a manager's name
ML: a league (American League East, Central League, National League West, Pacific League, etc.)
Pa, Pb, Pc, Pd: each represents a pitcher's name
Ra, Rb, Rc, Rd: each represents a runner's name
TW, TX, TY, TZ: each represents a team's name
V: decision, edge, rout, shutout, triumph, victory, win, etc.

ABBREVIATIONS and SIGNS for Grammatical Use

Bf: a formula of sentences headed by B, applicable to f in the previous paper
BP: sentence subjects B and P in a compound structure like 'B do sth and P do sth' or 'P do sth and B do sth'
BPf: a formula of sentences headed by BP
B/P B and/or P
B/P's: B's and/or P's
BPv: a variety of BPf
Bv: a variety of Bf, applicable to v in the previous paper
Cl: Clause
Erf: a formula of sentences headed by TYF's Er
Erv: a variety of Erf
f: sentence formula
Pf: a formula of sentences headed by P
Prep. Phr.: Prepositional Phrase
Pres. P. Phr.: Present-Participial Phrase
Pv: a variety of Pf
Rf: a formula of sentences headed by R
R. Inf. Phr.: Root-Infinitive Phrase
Rv: a variety of Rf
sth: something
to-Inf.: to-Infinitive
TXf: a formula of sentences headed by TX
TXv: a variety of TXf
TYFf: a formula of sentences headed by TYF
TYFv: a variety of TYFf
v: formula variety

| : Two bars mean that the words or phrases inside the bars are all applicable to the variety sentences and that there can be more words or phrases applicable than those given.

†: The dagger sign placed before the variety means that the variety is theoretically possible although as yet the writer has not seen it in newspapers.

The writer realizes that the attempt of mentioning the possible variety is not relevant in this paper. He humbly apologizes and limits the attempt to Pv3, Pv5, Pv15, Pv16, Pv50, Pv54 and Pv55.

Explanatory Examples for 'act' or 'do sth'

1. B

and Bb  |  belt   | back-to-back | doubles | singles |
         | hit     | consecutive | homers  | triples |

back  |
help   | P's pitching |
support |

be  | checked  | on | n-hits |
held |        | q-runs|
limited | to | scoreless |
be hit by a pitch
pitched ball

called by F at first
second
third
three (home) plate

be tagged out at first and second
between second and third
third and the plate

be walked intentionally

beat out a hit shot off F's glove leg

beat out an infield grounder

belt
blast
connect for
crack
deliver (bases-filled) double down the left-field line
fly
grounder into the left-center field gap

hit (bases-loaded) q-run homer over third base
lashed (bases-clearing) sacrifice fly past second
line single center
cut triple to left field
rapping right
blast  
clout  
connect for  
deliver  
drive  
hit  
lead  
pole  
rack up  
slash  
stroke  
wallop  
whack  

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bloop a single to left |
| right | field over a drawn-in TY infield |

break (open) |
| crack |
| snap |

double single |
| homer triple |

break up a pitching duel between TX's Pa and TY's Pb with an n-th inning home run

bunt R to second

bunt |
| double |
| single |
| triple |

to lead off the n-th inning

chew through n TYP
collect | hits
runs

come through with a
connect single
two-run RBI single
two-run scoring line drive into the left stands

crack a hit to make it d-e

crack double
lash homer back n-hit pitching of P
smash a single to help the n-hitter
whack triple support
etc. etc.
crack double boost power
lash homer carry propel
smash a single to help rally TX over TY d-e
whack triple lead send
etc. lift spur
crack pull pace vault
double to TX ahead d-e
smash a triple etc.
crack a double
smash a triple etc.

extend increase to
open widen
to d-e

lead

TX's

lead

assault
attack
barrage
burst
explosion
n-th inning outburst
rally
splurge
uprising

center field
left-field
right-field

home n r
in first
score R from
second (base)
third
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<td>walk from P to force</td>
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| drive a ball over left/right fielder Fa off |
|-----|---------------|
| drive | sacrifice fly |
| knock | in n r with a |

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homer just inside the left-/right-field foul pole
fly
ground out (to end the game)
pop

foul off n pitches from P, then drill a homer
double
run-scoring single
triple

give TX a come-from-behind d-e lead V
go aboard after being hit by a pitch
with an infield hit

2-for-3
go 4-for-4
5-for-5

ground a single to pitcher
short

hit a bouncer that hops over third baseman Fa's head as he is about to field it
hit
line a
double
double
homer
smash
single
single
triple

hit power a
double
homer
one
with
none
out and men on
first and
second
smash
single
two
second and third
triple
hit stroke P's n-th pitch (between first and second) for a double homer single triple

jump on n pitchers with q hits
pound P for n hits
swamp runs

knock out P starter Pa

lay down a squeeze bunt his bunt

lead off the n-th inning with a double/homer/single/triple/walk
loft a long fly ball

make a run-scoring double single

offset the damage done by (several) mistakes with n home runs
power a rallying q-run tape-measure homer to right

run his RBI attack to n consecutive games with q-run scoring double single

send TYP to the bullpen showers

send the n-th pitch from TYP over the right-field fence double homer single triple

spoil TYPa's no-hit bid with a single

smack a single up the middle through the drawn-in infield

smash his 1000th career hit
tag P for a homer run
work P for a walk

2. B's

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double off the glove of Fa score Ra
double
homer to center
single to left score R
triple to right

dramatic come-from-behind grand slam give TX a d-e lead
dramatic come-from-behind
three-run homer

fielder's choice grounder score Ra

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seventh inning shot spoils P's shutout attempt

3. F

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bouncer
fly (ball)
catch a grounder
line drive
throw
commit a throwing error

drop a (routine) fly (ball) to center field for an error
depth center
fail to catch a
line drive
liner
throw

field a grounder behind second base and flip the ball wide of second base allowing two runs to score

hurl back a single by B, throwing out R from second at the home plate
initiate a double/triple play

let a grounder get/go roll through his legs

let the ball get by for an error
lose a fly ball in the sun

make a diving catching running sensational

misplay the ball for an error
muff the B's sinking line drive for an error
pass the ball
put out TYR at first/second/third the home plate
reach a bouncer but cannot hold
retrieve the ball
slip and fall flat on his back, allowing the ball to roll
throw out R from second at the home plate
throw out at first/second/third the plate
throw the ball away in a rundown
throw wildly into center field the outfield

4. M

be ejected
be thrown out of the game
be tossed out of the game

ejected in the n-th inning after arguing a balk called on P
thrown in the n-th inning after interceding in an argument between P/B and umpire Ua
tossed in the n-th inning for arguing a balk call by umpire Ua

come out from the dugout to talk to P (but do not replace him)
relieve F/P/R
retire F/P
send a message
5. P

and Pb combine a q-hitter for on to scatter n hits

and TYPa be locked in a pitcher's duel
and TYPa duel evenly for the first n innings for a scoreless tie

and TYPa have stage a scoreless pitching duel

double foul
allow ground rule double
give up a homer to B
permit single
surrender triple
yield walk
  an intentional pass/walk to B

allow give up hits in q innings
permit n unearned runs
surrender walks over the distance/route
yield
baffle
check
handcuff
hold  TY (B)  on  n  hits (and q strikeouts)
limit
stifle
stop

bail starter Pb out of a jam

balk home  a  the winning  run

be called for a balk on his pick-off move to first base with his left leg up in the air
   forced to leave the game
be  knocked out
   lifted
be relieved by Pb
be shelled by TY bombers
be taken out for a pinch-hitter

be thwarted in his bid to become n game winner
   Inf. Phr.
   win his n-th shutout

chalk up

earn
gain
mark  his n-th (career)  shutout
pick up
post
record

complete game
save
victory
win
check  hitless  for n innings
hold  TY (B) in check scoreless
limit
stop

combine  for
with  on  a q-hitter
Pb  n relievers scatter n hits
n relievers

come on in the ninth and strike out to preserve the victory

come on the mound

come on with none out and two on in the eighth and retire TY in order the rest
of the way

complete the full nine games

depart after n innings

escape a bases-filled, no-out jam
bases-loaded

fan
strike out n batters in q innings

fire
hurl
pitch
scatter
space
throw
toss

a q-hit shutout for n innings
in n innings
a q-hitter
hitless ball
n-hits
over the distance
de route
comebacker
fly
on a line drive to third
popup
get B strikes

ground out
to strike out
hit into a double play
get into a jam
get relief help from Pb
need strong batting support
get TX out of a jam
go n innings

go the distance by scattering n hits
have a pitch hit a B
have a pitching duel against TYP
hit Ba with a pitch (that clears both benches when Ba charges the mound)
intentionally walk B
issue a two-out intentional walk to B
lose his bid for a perfect game and finish with an n-hitter
lose his n-th (straight game)
outduel TYPa
outpitch TYPa
overcome control problems
pick off R at first/second/third base
complete game
a perfect game through n innings
pitch
q-hit shutout
n perfect shutout innings

pitch work his way out of a bases-loaded, none-out jam
a no-out, bases-loaded q-inning trouble
danger

pitch the (final) n innings in relief of the starter
post register his n-th career win
P's n-hitter go the distance/route
P's wild pitch bring TYR home
relieve Pa to squelch a TY rally
retire B on a fly ball
a grounder

salvage his starter's role by going 8 innings on a one-hitter
serve up ball four to force in TYR
slam the door on TY
silence TYB
stifle TY's comeback
stop the strike out n and walk q in going the distance
suffer control trouble
take the mound
throw a wild pitch

throw the ball into centerfield the outfield for an error

try to pick TYR off first/second/third
uncork a wild pitch (with a man on third)
walk B intentionally
n (batters)

wild-pitch home TYRa from third base

win a pitching duel with TYPa

win his n-th (straight)

work out of a bases-loaded jam

6. R

advance in a wild pitch

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and Rb move to second and third respectively on a successful double steal

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be forced out at second/third

be picked off at first/second/third by P

be thrown out attempting to steal
come dash double
dash race a hit
race return home on sacrifice fly
return ride B's single
ride slide triple
slide sprint
sprint

overrun third base following a single by B and be tagged out
reach second/third base with a headfirst slide

reach the plate

double
sacrifice fly
single

by B

a squeeze bunt

score on triple flyball to left field

wild pitch by TYP

an error by TYF

Bb's hit through TYF's legs

slide home safely on TY fielder's choice

steal n bases

swipe

steal home/second/third

steal his 1000th career base

7. TX

add another run on TYFa's fielder's choice

add n r on q hits in the n-th inning
and TY split a doubleheader
twin bill

bang out n hits to support P

battle | beat TY d-e
to make it d-e

fight | to tie the score d-d
back |

rally | in the n-th (inning)

storm |

be limited to n hits
scoreless

beat TY d-e for a split of their doubleheader
twin bill
to salvage a split of their

beat rout

defeat silence
down shut out TY d-e
down wallop

edge

nose out whitewash

break
down

end
halt n-game l.s.
their

snap

stop

break it open with n runs after TY tied the game

break
down

end
halt TY's w.s. at n (garms)

snap

stop
break loose
erupt for n r with q hits
explode
rally
| breeze roll
| coast romp past TY d-e
| go streak
| rally waltz

| breeze ride action
| coast roll to a d-e V over TY
| come from behind romp
| go on soar

For the rest, see (1), pages 5, 6, and 15, 16, 17.

break up
grab a d-e lead
take
| a wild five-run inning
| an n-run rally
cap

capitalize on
| a balk
| wild pitch
| defensive lapse
| TY Er
| sloppy TY fielding
take an advantage of

chase TYP with n r

close deficit
cut the gap (to) d-e
narrow margin

collect unearned r
come from behind
to beat TY
rally back from n-run deficit
complete a four-game/three-game sweep of TY
continue
extend their w.s. to n (games)
stretch
deal TY their n-th (consecutive/straight) loss setback
deliver
have
pound out n hit to grab n r
produce
smash
draw against TY

fly
drive in n r on a homer grounder
q hits
extend the lead to d-e score
widen
forge
go ahead d-e
move for an d-e lead pull

get a combined n-hitter by P go on a scoring spree

grab n r

jump
pounce on TYP for n hits r
pound

kill a bases-loaded scoring chance
muff their
n games
lose their n-th game
their n-th consecutive straight game
make it a split sweep
overcome the early d-0 deficit
post a d-e V over TY
score a win
take their n-th win in q games
pound n hurlers pitchers with q hits
pour n runs across the plate
put the game out of reach for TY
rally back with n runs to make it d-e
rally from a d-e n-run deficit for a d-e V
reverse turn d-e the tables for a their d-e lead
ride a q-run n-th inning by B's action
run themselves out of a potential big inning
saddle TY with their n-th straight loss
score a wild pitch by TYP
tally a run on an error by TYF
B's action
score an insurance run the go-ahead run
n hits
score n runs with RBI doubles singles
n times in an inning
send n batters to the plate in one inning

send TY to their n-th straight defeat
loss

split a doubleheader

start their ninth-inning comeback

a loss

suffer their n-th loss in q games

their n-th consecutive/straight loss
doubleheader

sweep a pair from TY three-game series
homer

tag P for a hit run

take a d-e lead on n hits

a passed ball by TYF faulty TY fielding
sloppy

take advantage of Er to score n r

defensive lapses TY
infield misplays
shaky defense

tie the game d-e with TY d-d

trail d-e

turn the tables d-e
game in a row

win their n-th consecutive game
straight

wrest a run
8. (TYF’s) Er

allow TXR to reach second
     race third
     sprint home

allow TXR to score a tie-breaking run
     winning

give TX a d-e lead over TY
     V

pave the way for a q-run n-th inning
precede TXB’s walk

II. Classified Topic-Sentence Formulas and Varieties

After the big corps of topic sentences headed by B and B’s-action marched in file in the previous paper, here come in review the troops of topic sentences headed by (A) P, (B) BP, (C) TX, (D) R, (E) TYP, and (F) TYF’s Er in that order.

The newly-marching troops toe roughly the same line as the former corps has done. The slight difference from the previous line is as the following: the whole sentences in each troop are divided into five sections in the order of (a) Simple Sentences, (b) Compound Sentences, (c) Complex Sentences, (d) Compound Complex Sentences, and (e) Three Sentences.

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a. Simple Sentences

\[
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P & TXP & act, beating, TY d-e \\
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TX right-hander Pa struggled to his second victory of the season with some defensive help from left fielder Fa, beating TY 3-2 and ending TY’s four-game w.s.
Pv2  P act, enabling TX to snap TY's n-game w.s. with a V
    Pa pitched a 3-hitter, enabling the slumping TX to snap TY's eight-game
    w.s. with a 2-0 shutout.

†Pv3  P act, enabling TX to beat TY d-e

Pv4  P act, giving TX a d-e V over TY
    Southpaw Pa pitched his first shutout of the season, scattering two hits,
    giving a 7-0 win over TY.
    Pa threw a four-hitter for the sixth shutout of the year by TX pitchers,
    giving TX a 1-0 victory over TY, who suffered an eighth straight defeat.

†Pv5  P act, carrying pitching TX past TY d-e

Pv6  P
    bringin pitching
    carryin sending  TX to a d-e V over TY
    coastin sparking
    leadin spurring
    Pa combined with southpaw Pb for a three-hitter, bringing TX to a 2-0
    shutout victory over the ML high-flying TY.
    TX fastballer Pa scattered five hits over the distance, carrying TX to a
    2-0 victory over TY.
    Pa fanned 12 in eight innings, pitching TX to a 6-3 victory over TY.
    Sophomore Pa combined with ace southpaw, spurring TX to a 3-2 victory
    over TY.

Pv7  P, backed by B, act carrying leading TX to a d-e V over TY
    spurring
    Righthander Pa, backed by a three-homer attack, pitched a six-hitter
    carrying TX to a 5-2 victory over TY.

Pv8  P act and get receive B's support, carrying powering TX to a d-e V over TY
    Pa and Pb combined to scatter five hits and got strong batting support,
    including Ba's three-run homer, carrying TX to a 7-1 drubbing of TY.
    Pa pitched a five-hitter and received a strong batting support of 13 hits
including Ba’s three-run homer, powering TX to an easy 10-2 victory over
TY.

Pf2  P act Prep. Phr.

Pv9  P act, pitching TX past TY d-e
      Pa held TY hitless for six innings in pitching TX past TY 5-2.

Pv10 P act in leading TX to a d-e V over TY
      hurling
      pitching

      Pa took the major-league lead in strikeouts by fanning 12 TY batters in
leading TX to a 4-2 victory.

      Pa went the distance for a three-hitter in pitching TX to a 4-1 triumph
over TY.

Pf3  P act to-Inf. Phr.

Pv11 P  act to beat shut out TY d-e
      TXP

      Pa of TX, the youngest player in ML, hurled eight hitless innings to beat
TY 3-1.

Pv12 P act to enable TX to beatTY d-e

      Pa pitched an eight-hitter and struck out five over the distance to enable
TX to shut out TY 5-0 by snapping their w.s. at six.

Pv13 P act to help TX beat shut out edge whitewash TY d-e

      Pa pitched a seven-hitter in going the distance to help TX beat TY 5-3.

Pv14 P act to help TX end snap halt stop their n-game l.s.
      by beating TY d-e
      with a d-e V of/over TY

      Veteran right-hander Pa pitched a seven-hitter in his second complete
game of the season to help TX snap their l.s. at six with a 5-2 victory over
TY.
† Pvl5  P act to help TX break halt TY's w.s. at n (games)
ed end stop
by beating TY d-e
with a d-e V of/over TY

† Pvl6  P act to help TX extend stretch their w.s. to n (games)
by beating TY d-e
with a d-e V of/over TY

Pv17  P act to carry pace lead save TX over TY d-e TX over TY in a d-e V

Reliever Pb took the mound in the eighth and allowed only two hits the rest of the way to save winning pitcher Pa and TX in a 3-2 decision.

Pv18  P act to carry lead help lift TX past TY d-e

Pa, with help from Pb, won his sixth straight game in September to help TX past TY 3-2.

Pa pitched no-hit ball for more than 6 innings and combined with Pb on a four-hitter to lead TX past TY 5-2.

carry lift
coast pace
help pitch
lead power

PV19  P act to TX to a d-e V over TY

Sophomore right-hander Pa pitched his eighth complete game of the season, scattering eight hits, to coast the ML runner-up TX to an 8-2 victory over the front-running TY.

Pa allowed four hits over eight innings to help TX to a 2-1 victory over TY, snapping TY's four-game w.s.

Pa held TY hitless for six innings before finishing with a three-hitter with eight strikeouts to lead TX to a 6-2 victory over TY.

Pa and ace reliever Pb combined for a four-hitter to power TX to a 4-0 shutout victory over TY.
Pv20  P  act and settle for a d-e V over TY
TXP

TXPa pitched six hitless innings before being taken out for a pinch-hitter and he and two TX’s relievers settled for a two hit, 4-2 victory over TY.

Pv21  P  act and bat lead carry pace TX to a d-e V over TY

Rookie Pa pitched and batted TX to a 3-1 victory over TY.
Pa scattered five hits over the route to celebrate the start of his career and led TX to a 2-1 win over TY.

Pv22  P  act and do sth to-Inf. Phr.
TXP

TXPa tossed a seven-hitter and struck out eight in going the distance to shut out TY 6-0.

Pv23  P  act and do sth to lead TX to a d-e V over TY

TXPa scattered seven hits in 8 1/3 innings and hit a two-run single to lead TX to a 4-1 victory over TY.

Pv24  P  act and get B’s support to give a d-e V over TY

Pa hurled a five-hitter and received strong batting support of 12 hits to give TX an easy 8-2 victory over TY.

Pv25  P  act and get B’s support to lead trounce TY d-e

Three TXP combined on a six-hitter and got strong batting support of 14 hits, including a two run shot by Ba, to trounce TY 8-3.

Pv26  P  act and get B’s support to lead power TX to a d-e V over TY

Pa handcuffed TY on two hits through seven innings and got a home run from Ba to lead TX to a 1-0 victory over TY.
Pa fired a shutout six-hitter and got strong batting support of nine hits to power TX to a 5-0 triumph over TY.
P's action
action by P | do sth

Pv27 **P's action enable TX to |beat|TY d-e**

The combined six-hit pitching of Pa and veteran relief ace Pb enabled TX to shut out TY 2-0.

b. Compound Sentences

Pv28 **P act and TX |beat| edge| TY d-e**

Pa and Pb combined on a seven-hitter to outduel TYP, and TX edged TX 2-1 to snap TY's four-game w.s.

Pv29 **P act and TX act en route to a V**

Pa fired a five-hitter and last-place TX broke loose for five runs in the eighth inning en route to a 7-2 victory over TY.

Pa tossed a three-hitter and TX took advantage of TY infield misplays for the deciding run in the seventh inning en route to a 5-2 win over TY.

Pv30 **P act and TX act in a V**

TX left-hander Pa allowed four hits in eight innings to pick up his ML-leading 11th victory and TX pounded TY pitchers for 19 hits in a 13-3 rout of TY.

Pv31 **P act and TX act to-Inf. Phr.**

Three TXP combined to scatter eight hits and TX jumped on four TY hurlers for 10 hits, including two homers, to beat TY 7-3.

Pa pitched five strong innings and knocked in a run and TX took advantage of faulty TY fielding to beat TY 7-5.

Pa and Pb blanked TY over the final seven innings and TX used a five-run seventh inning to defeat TY 7-2.

Pv8 **P act, B act and TX act**
Pv32 **P act, B act and TX act to-Inf. Phr.**

Left-hander Pa yielded three hits over six innings, pinch-hitter Ba broke a tie with a two-run single in the seventh and TX went on to post a 6-2 victory over TY.

**c. Complex Sentences**

**Pf9**  
**P act as Cl.**

**Pv33**  

| T XP | act as P (he) | beat | set down | TY d-e |

Pa pitched the first no-hitter for TX since Pb's perfect game in the 1956 World Series and the first in the major league since 1981 as he set down TY 6-0.

**Pv34**  

**P act as P (he) pitch TX to a V**

Pa struck out 12 and earned his 295th lifetime victory as he pitched TX to a 2-1 triumph over TY.

**Pv35**  

**P act as P (he) act to help TX | beat | TY d-e**

Sophomore right-hander Pa had his sixth complete game as he scattered six hits to help TX edge TY 4-3.

| T XP | act as TX | beat | shut out | blank | stomp | crush | top | down | turn back | rout | whitewash | TY d-e |

Pa allowed just four hits in eight innings against his former team as TX blanked TY 6-0.

Pa worked out of bases-loaded jams in the fourth and fifth innings en route to his fourth consecutive victory as TX edged TY 6-4.

Pa allowed five hits in seven-plus innings and contributed a run-scoring single as TX turned back TY 5-2.

**Pv37**  

**P, backed by B, act as TX | beat | TY d-e**

Pa, backed by an 11-hit barrage and two-run homer by Ba and Bb, hurled
a six-hitter to pick up his ninth win of the season against seven losses as TX downed TY 7-3.

Pv38 P act and get B's support as TX down trounce TY d-e
Pa fired a two-hit shutout and got strong batting support, including Ba's solo circuit, as TX blanked TY 6-0.
Pa fired a four-hitter and got strong batting support, including Ba's two RBIs, as TX trounced TY 8-2.

Pv39 P act and get B's support as TX breeze to a V
Pa fired a shutout three-hitter and got strong batting support, 10 hits, as TX breezed to an easy 10-0 win over TY.

Pv40 P act as TX win d-e over TY
Right-hander Pa (15-5) pitched for a two-hitter for his third shutout of the season, as TX won 4-0 over TY.

Pv41 P act and TX win a game, d-e over TY
Pa hurled three-hit ball for six innings as TX won their 15th straight road game without a loss, 3-1 over TY.

Pv42 P act as TX hold on for a d-e V over TY take
Pa held TY to five hits over seven innings and singled home the game's only run as TX held on for a 1-0 victory over TY.
Pa made a successful 1982 pitching debut Saturday, blanking TY for six innings as TX took a 6-0 victory over TY.

Pv43 P act as TX do sth with a d-e V over TY
Pa threw a four-hitter for his sixth straight victory as TX celebrated Ba's return to them with a 5-3 victory over TY.

Pv44 P act as TX cool off TY with a V
Pa tossed three-hitter as TX cooled off TY with a 5-3 victory that knocked TY out of first place in the ML.
Rookie right-hander Pa pitched his first complete game, scattering four hits, as TX ended TY's five-game w.s. with a 5-1 victory.

Pa struck out 15 batters—his career high and the most in the majors this season—and allowed only three hits and drove in the only run as TX snapped TY's 10-game w.s. with a 1-0 victory.

Pa and Pb combined to scatter five hits as TX snapped their six-game l.s. by whitewashing TY 2-0.

Pa and three relievers outdueled TYPb as TX extended their w.s. to five games with a 1-0 victory over TY.

Pa fired a four-hitter in the opener and Pb and Pc combined to duplicate the performance in the nightcap as TX swept a twi-night doubleheader from TY 5-0 and 2-1.

Pa saved both games of TX's doubleheader sweep of TY, extending his major league record to 45 as TX captured 4-1 and 7-3 decision.

Pa tossed a one-hitter for the fourth straight win as TX rolled to an 8-0 triumph over TY.
Three TXP held TY to five hits as TX romped to an 11-6 triumph over TY.

TX starter and winner Pa allowed four hits over six innings and cracked a three-run homer as TX went on a scoring spree and waltzed to an 18-6 win over TY.

P do sth that-Cl.

Pv52 P act, doing sth that carry TX to a V

Pa won a duel of finesse and precision with TYPb, pitching a five-hitter that carried TX to a 2-1 victory over TY.

P act when-Cl.

Pv53 P act when TX | extend | their w.s. to n | by beating TY
                    |        |         | with a V of TY

Pa pitched a six-hitter, going the route for his second victory when the league front-running TX extended their w.s. to seven games by defeating TY 3-1

†Pv54 P act when TX | snap | their n-game l.s. | by beating TY
                    |        |         | with a V over TY

†Pv55 P act when TX | halt | TY's n-game w.s. | by beating TY
                    |        |         | with a V of TY

Pv56 P act when P do sth to | carry power | TX to a V

Pa came out the victor in a close-pitch battle with TYP when he hit a solo home run in the fifth inning to break a 2-2 tie and start TX to an 8-2 victory over TY.

d. Compound Complex Sentences

P act and Pb act as-Cl.

Pv57 Pa act and Pb act as TX | beat | TY d-e

Pa pitched scoreless ball for 7 innings and two relievers yielded no hits the rest of the way as TX blanked TY 2-0.

Southpaw Pa gave up only five hits over 8 innings and reliever Pb hurled a one-hitter rest of the way as TX overwhelmed TY 8-3.
Pact and TX act as Cl.
Pact and TX act as TX | beat | TY d-e
Pa and Pb combined on a 10-hitter and TX capitalized on TY defensive lapses for six-run fifth inning as TX routed TY 8-3.
Pact and TX do sth that Cl.
Pact and TX do sth that pave the way to a V
Pa and Pb combined on a four-hitter and TX capitalized on a TY Er for two first-inning runs that paved the way to a 4-3 victory and a sweep of their three-game series with TY.
Pact while B act and R act
Pact while B act and R act, | leading | TX to a V
Pa, winless since June 5, hurled a five-hitter for his first major league shutout, while Ba homered and Ra stole home, leading TX to a 3-0 victory over TY.

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     | Pres. P. Phr. |

BPf4 | (TX) B act and P act |
     | (TX) P act and B act |
     | to-Inf. Phr. |

BPf5 | (TX) B act while P act |
     | (TX) P act while B act |
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| (TX) B act and P act | before-Cl. |
| (TX) P act and B’s action do sth | |
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a. Simple Sentences

BPF1
| (TX) B’s action and P’s action | do sth |
| (TX) P’s action and B’s action | |

BPV1
| (TX) B’s action and P’s action | carry TX past TY d-e |
| (TX) P’s action and B’s action | |

Ba’s three hits, including a run-scoring triple in a five-run first inning, and Pa’s seven-hitter carried TX past TY 7-3.

BPV2
| (TX) B’s action and P’s action | lead |
| (TX) P’s action and B’s action | lift |
| TX to a V over TY | |

Pa’s four-hit pitching and Ba’s three-run homer led TX to a 6-1 victory over TY.

b. Compound Sentences

BPV2
| (TX) B act and P act | Prep. Phr. |
| (TX) P act and B act | |
Veteran southpaw Pa and reliever Pb combined on an eight-hitter and TX batters jumped on three TY pitchers for 12 hits, for a 10-2 triumph over TY.

Pa and Pb combined to pitch TX’s third consecutive shutout and Ba hit TX’s home runs in a 4-0 victory over TY.

Pa hurled six shutout innings in his first appearance in 19 days, and Ba had a run-scoring double in TX’s 3-1 triumph over TY.

Ba and Bb each hit solo home runs and Pa picked up his 245th career victory in leading TX to a 5-2 triumph over TY.

Pa and Pb combined on a six-hit shutout and Ba paced a 22-hit TX attack with four hits and three RBIs in leading TX to a 14-0 rout of TY.

Ba homered, and Pa and Pb pitched TX to a 3-2 victory over TY.

Ba drove in three runs with a home run and a single, and Pa pitched TX to a 6-3 victory over TY, snapping TY’s four-game w.s.

Pa pitched a three-hitter and Ba drove in two runs with a triple and single enabling TX to defeat TY 3-0 and complete a sweep of their three-game series.

Ba rapped four hits, including a pair of triples, and knuckleball specialist
Pa allowed just three hits, giving TX a 6-1 victory over TY.

Pa and two relievers combined on a five-hitter and rookie Ba drove in three runs, helping TX defeat TY 9-1.

Ba and Bb slugged solo home runs and Pa and Pb combined on a nine-hitter, leading TX over TY 2-1.

Pa held TY scoreless for eight innings and triggered a two-run third with a leadoff double, pacing TX over TY 2-1.

Ba drove in three runs with a home run and single and rookie Pa pitched a six-hitter, leading TX past TY 7-2.

Ba powered a bases-clearing home run in the fifth and Pa pitched for six hits over the distance, bringing TX to earn 8-2 triumph over TY.

Hurler Pa pitched a seven-hitter and Ba and Bb homered, carrying TX to a 4-0 whitewashing of TY.

Ba ignited a three-run eighth inning with a pinch hit homer and Pa pitched a three-hitter over eight innings, rallying TX to a 3-1 victory over TY.

Two TX pitchers combined to scatter eight hits and Ba slammed a solo homer and a three-run shot, sending TX to a 6-3 win over TY.

Ba drove in two runs with a triple and a double and Pa hurled a seven-hitter enabling TX to snap a five-game l.s. with a 4-0 victory over TY.

Pa allowed only four hits over 7 innings and Ba drove in two runs,
enabling TX to snap a five-game l.s. with an 8-5 victory over TY.

BPv14

(TX) B act and P act | helping TX break to a q-game
(TX) P act and B act | stop

l.s. with a d-e V of/over TY

Pa tossed a six-hitter and Ba singled across two runs, helping TX snap a four-game l.s. with a 6-1 triumph over TY.

BPf4

(TX) B act and P act | to-Inf. Phr.
(TX) P act and B act

BPv15

(TX) B act and P act | to beat TY d-e
(TX) P act and B act

Ba and Bb homered on consecutive pitches in TX’s three-run third inning, and Pa scattered eight hits to beat TY 5-2.

BPv16

(TX) B act and P act | to give TX a d-e V over TY
(TX) P act and B act

Ba slammed a three-run homer in the fifth, and Pa and Pb scattered seven hits to give TX a 5-2 win over TY in the 1000th game between the two teams.

Pa stopped TY on five hits for his fifth straight victory, and Ba and Bb hit consecutive home runs to give TX a 5-1 victory over TY.

BPv17

(TX) B act and P act | to help TX post a d-e V over TY
(TX) P act and B act

Ba blasted a pair of two-run homers among his three hits and Pa and Pb combined on a five-hitter to help TX post a 5-1 victory over TY.

BPv18

(TX) B act and P act | to help TX beat trim TY d-e
(TX) P act and B act

Ba smashed a three-run homer and Pa scattered seven hits over the distance to help TX whitewash TY 3-0.

Pa scattered eight hits in his first start of the season and Ba drove in two runs with a solo home run and a single to help TX defeat TY 7-2, snapping TY’s six-game w.s.

BPv19

(TX) B act and P act | to preserve TX’s d-e V over TY
(TX) P act and B act
Ba and Bb each drove in a run in the eighth inning and reliever Pa pitched out of a bases-loaded, none-out jam in the bottom of the inning to preserve TX's 2-1 victory over TY.

Pa pitched a five-hitter and Ba scored twice to lead TX over TY 3-1.

Ba and Bb slugged run-scoring doubles in TX's three-run first inning, and Pa tossed a six-hitter to propel TX past TY 4-1, snapping TY's six-game w.s.

Right-hander Pa went the distance to snap a personal six-game losing streak, and Ba hit his 11th home run of the season to power TX past TY 5-1.

Ba tripled to highlight a four-run fourth inning and Pa picked up his 11th victory to help TX to a 5-2 victory over TY.

Pa pitched a three-hitter and leading home-run hitter Ba slammed a game-winning two run homer in the fourth inning to cap TX to a 2-0 victory over TY.

Ba drove in three runs with a homer and a double and Pa posted his 10th complete game of the season to lift TX to a 6-3 victory over TY.

Veteran right-hander Pa combined with Pb for a seven-hitter and Ba drove in three runs, one on a sacrifice fly and two on a homer, to pace TX to a 5-3 triumph over TY.

Pa threw a three-hitter and TXB smashed four solo home runs to extend their winning streak to five games by defeating TY 5-0.
BPv24 | (TX) B act and P act to help TX break an
(TX) P act and B act snap their

n-game l.s. by beating TY d-e
with a d-e V of/over TY

Pa pitched his first major-league complete game, an eight-hitter, and Ba drove in a pair of runs to help TX snap a four-game l.s. with a 7-1 victory over TY.

BPv25 | (TX) B act and P act to help TX end TY's w.s. at n
(TX) P act and B act stop TY's n-game w.s.

by beating TY d-e
with a d-e V of/over TY

Ba drove in four runs with a pair of home runs, including a three-run shot in the seventh inning, and Pa pitched a three-hitter 8 1/2 innings to help TX snap TY's four-game w.s. with a 5-3 victory over TY.

BPv26 | (TX) B act and P act to help TX move back into
(TX) P act and B act first place by beating TY d-e

by beating TY d-e
with a d-e V of/over TY

Ba drove in three runs with a double and a sacrifice fly and Pa scattered seven hits to help TX move back into first place in ML with a 5-1 victory over TY.

c. Complex Sentences

BPf5 | (TX) B act while P act to-Inf. Phr.
(TX) P act while B act

BPv27 | (TX) B act while P act to carry TX past TY d-e
(TX) P act while B act

Ba knocked in three runs with two homers and Bb added a solo shot while four TX pitchers teamed on a five-hitter to carry TX past TY 8-3.

BPf6 | (TX) B act while P act as-Cl.
(TX) P act while B act
BPv28

(TX) B act while P act  as TX beat TY d-e
(TX) P act while B act

Ba belted a two-run homer, his first in more than a year, and drew a bases-loaded walk while Pa became the ML's first 11-game winner as TX defeatedTY 5-3.

Pa held TY hitless for five innings and gained his first major-league victory while Ba drove in three runs with a sacrifice fly and a homer as TX routed TY 9-3.

d. Compound Complex Sentences

BPf7

(TX) B act and P act  as-Cl.
(TX) P act and B act

BPv29

(TX) B act and P act  as TX cool off rout TY d-e
(TX) P act and B act  pound turn back

Ba, Bb and Bc each stroked a home run during a seven-run second inning explosion and Pa scattered six hits over the distance as TX blasted TY 12-0.

Pa pitched six no-hit innings and Ba and Bb homered as TX cooled off TY 3-2.

Ba drove in five runs, four with his seventh-career grand slam homer, and Pa pitched a six-hitter as TX routed TY 8-1:

Pa gained his 20th victory with a five-hitter and Ba had a two-run homer and four RBIs as TX routed TY 9-1.

BPv30

(TX) B act and P act  as TX deal TY a loss, d-e
(TX) P act and B act  hand

Pa and Pb combined on a four-hitter and Ba broke a six-inning tie with his fourth homer of the year as TX handed TY its sixth consecutive loss, 4-1.

BPv31

(TX) B act and P act  as TX notch score a V over TY
(TX) P act and B act  post take

Ba knocked in six runs with two homers and a triple and Pa pitched a
four-hitter as TX scored a 13-0 victory over TY.

Pa hurled a no-hitter for 7 2/3 innings and Ba drove in five runs with a Homer and single as TX took a 9-5 decision over TY.

Pa and two relievers combined on a six-hitter and rookie Ba homered as TX won their fifth game in a row by beating TY 3-1.

Ba drove in four runs and Pa pitched 8 innings of four-hit relief as TX won its seventh straight by rallying from a five-run deficit to beat TY 9-5.

Ba launched a TX comeback with a three-run homer and Pa snapped a personal five-game l.s. with help from reliever Pb as TX rallied to a 12-5 victory over TY.

Pa threw a five-hitter and Ba homered to key a five-run second inning as TX soared to a 10-2 triumph over TY.

Ba hit a two-run homer and Pa threw a seven-hitter for the first major-league shutout as TX snapped a five-game l.s. and gained a split of a doubleheader with a 7-0 white-wash of TY.

Pa scattered eight hits and Ba smashed a two-run homer as TX broke a four-game l.s. by crunching TY 10-3.

Pinch-hitter Ba hit a bases-loaded sacrifice fly in the 10th inning and Pa
pitched a four-hitter as TX snapped TY's w.s. by defeating TY 2-1.

(BPf8) (TX) B's action do sth and P act
(TX) P act and B's action do sth as-Cl.

(BPv37) (TX) B's action do sth and P act
(TX) P act and B's action do sth as TX beat TY d-e

Ba's two-out single in the bottom of the ninth inning drove in the winning run and Pa pitched a three-hitter as TX nipped TY 2-1.

(BPv38) (TX) B's action do sth and P act
(TX) P act and B's action do sth as TX complete a sweep with a d-e V

Pa scattered nine hits and Ba's single snapped a 1-1 tie and ignited a six-run sixth inning as TX completed a three-game sweep of TY with a 7-3 victory.

(BPf9) (TX) B act and P act
(TX) P act and B act before-Cl

(BPv39) (TX) B act and P act
(TX) P act and B act before TX beat TY d-e

TX rookie Pa pitched 8 ²/₃ no-hit innings, then Ba blooped a single to center in the ninth before TX beat TY 10-3.

(BPf10) (TX) B act and P's action do sth
(TX) P act and B's action do sth that-Cl.

(BPv40) (TX) B act and P's action do sth
(TX) P act and B's action do sth that boost
TX over TY d-e

Pa scattered six hits in eight innings and Ba's RBI double highlighted a four-run sixth that boosted TX over TY 4-2.

C. TX-headed Topic-Sentence Formulas and Varieties

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      TXf12 TX sweep a doubleheader

   b. No entry
   c. Complex Sentences

      TXf13 TX do sth, Pres. P Phr., Pres. P. Phr. as-Cl
      TXf14 TX do sth, do sth as-Cl

   d. No entry
   e. Three Sentences

      The conclusive sentence. The first-game-report sentence. The second-game-report sentence.

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1. When TX beat TY
   a. Simple Sentences
TXf1  TX | beat | TY d-e Prep. Phr.
TXv1  TX | beat nose out | hitting spree
   down outlast | seasaw game
   edge outslug | slugfest
TX edged TY 9-8 after a hitting spree of combined 22 hits for both teams.

TX edged TY 5-4 after a seasaw game highlighted with exchange of home runs.

TX defeated TY 8-6 after a slugfest of 27 hits by both teams including five homers.

TX\textbf{ beat} \textit{trounce} TY \textbf{d-e} behind B/P's action

TX\textbf{ defeat} \textit{whitewash} TY \textbf{d-e} behind B/P's action

TX\textbf{ beat \ TY d-e} behind P's action and on B's action

on B's action and behind P's action

TX blanked TY 7-0 behind ace Pa's six-hitter and on a 13-hit attack highlighted by Ba's two solo home runs in the first and fourth.

TX nosed out TY 3-2 on sophomore shortstop Ba's lead-off solo homer and a tie-breaking RBI-double and behind a nine-hit complete pitching by veteran right-hander Pa.

TX\textbf{ beat \ TY d-e by collecting n hits off TYP}

TX overwhelmed TY 10-2 by collecting 17 hits, including four home runs, off five pitchers in a 29-hit slugfest.

TX\textbf{ beat \ TY d-e in a}\textit{q-hit attack slugfest}

seasaw game slugfest

TX edged TY 9-8 in a 12-hit attack highlighted by Ba's solo homer and Bb's two RBI-hits.

TX eclipsed TY 9-6 in a 20-hit slugfest.

TX doubled up on TY 8-4 in a five-homer seasaw game.
TXv6 TX beat TY d-e on B’s action

TX clobbered TY 6-1 on a 12-hit attack highlighted by Ba’s two-run triple in the bottom of seventh.

TX edged the ML defending champion TY on Ba’s third two-run homer of the season and the combined 6-hit pitching of veteran Pa and relief ace southpaw Pb.

TXv7 TX beat TY d-e with (the help of) B’s action

B/P’s action

TX downed the ML leader TY 5-2 with the help of veteran designated-hitter Ba’s tie-breaking solo homer, his 25th, and two-run roundtripper, his 26th.

The ML front-running TX whitewashed TY 5-0 with three home runs and Pa’s 10-hit pitching.

TXv8 TX break snap TY’s n-game w.s. by beating TY d-e

with a d-e V of/over TY

TX stopped TY’s w.s. at three by battering TY 9-4 in a slugfest of 22 hits for the two teams.

TXv9 TX end a q-game l.s. by beating TY d-e

with a d-e V of/over TY

TX broke a seven-game l.s. by topping TY 7-5.

The faltering TX snapped their five-game l.s. by tying 4-4 in a game called due to the time limit after nine innings.

TXv10 TX extend stretch their w.s. to n (games) by beating TY d-e

with a d-e V of/over TY

TX stretched its w.s. to four games by beating TY 3-2 on a combined six-hitter.

TXv11 TX mark post a win in n games by beating TY d-e

notch take n-th V
TX marked the third consecutive victory by defeating the league front-runner TY 4-2

TX swept the game opener by beating TY d-e

TX won the first game by edging TY 6-5.

TX broke loose for four runs in the fourth inning en route to a 6-1 victory over slumping TY, TY's sixth straight loss.

The Japan champion TX produced seven runs in the bottom of the third on eight hits on their way to a 9-1 rout of TY and their second night-game winning streak this season.

As if waking up from long hibernation, TX exploded for 11 runs on 16 hits off five TYP for a 11-3 lopsided victory.

TX pounced on six TY hurlers for 16 hits, including a homer by Ba, for an 11-6 victory over TY.

TX walked past TY for a 2-1 win.

TX got two-run homers for Ba and Bb and a solo homer from Bc to back Pa's six-hitter in a 6-1 triumph over TY.

TX erupted for three runs in the eighth inning in beating TY 8-5.
In the nightcap, TX breezed past TY 11-3 on a 15-hit barrage including two home runs off six pitchers.

TX coasted to a 7-2 triumph over TY.

TX rode Ba's grand-slam homer in the fourth inning and a pair of Bb's homers to a 10-4 victory over TY.

TX pounced on four TYP for 13 hits including a grand slammer by Ba in the first inning and romped to a 16-3 victory over TY.

TX jumped on TY starter Pa for three runs in the second inning, with the help of a shaky defense, and went on to a 5-2 victory, increasing their lead in ML to 5 games.

TX slapped the front-running TY with a 5-1 victory.

TX completed a three-game sweep over TY with a 3-1 decision.

TX erupted for four runs on five hits including Ba's two-run homer off TYPa in the bottom of the first, walloping TY 11-1.

TX made a dramatic 8-7 come-from-behind victory over TY in a slugfest.
TX scored a 9-6 victory over TY after a slugfest of 26 hits by both teams.

TX won a game d-e over TY

TX won the nightcap 5-3 over TY after a seesaw game.

TX won a duel with TY slugfest with TY d-e

TX won a slugfest with TY 12-10, after a hitting spree of 28 hits, including 8 homers, by both teams

TX act to-Inf. Phr.

come back from n-run deficit

explode for n runs get a combination of n-hitters
to beat TY d-e

The ML champion TX came from behind to outlast TY, winner of the NL pennant, 7-4.

TX exploded for four runs in the third inning on six hits, including a two-run homer by Ba and a solo shot by Bb, to beat TY 8-4.

TX jumped on five TY hurlers for 14 hits, including Ba's sixth, a two-run shot, to swamp TY 9-6.

TX produce n hits to win d-e over TY

The home team TX produced 17 hits to win 11-10 over TY who had 15 hits.

TX erupt for n runs pound on TYP to register a d-e V over TY

TX erupted for seven runs on eight consecutive hits in the fifth inning to register a 10-5 decision over TY.

TX exploded for 10 hits to knock in eight runs in the fifth and sixth innings to score an 8-4 triumph over TY.

TX pounced on two TYP for 10 hits to score a 7-5 victory over TY.

TX capitalize on TY Er to hand TY a d-e loss

TX capitalized on six TY errors to hand TY a 6-4 loss.
TX pounced on three TYP for 17 hits, including two homers, to rally past TY 9-6.

TX used Ba's two-out, two-run single in the seventh inning to sweep past TY 4-3 and into the World Series.

TX pounced on two TYP for 12 hits to breeze to an 8-3 victory over TY.

TX pounded on TYP for 16 hits, including two singles and a double by Ba, to romp to a an 8-1 victory over TY.

TX got first-inning RBI singles from Ba and Bb and went on to snap an eight-game l.s. by defeating TY 5-2.

TX swamped TYP for 13 hits, including two homers, to snap their l.s. at three with a 6-0 shutout of TY.

TX jumped on TY to stop TY's w.s. at 5 games with an 8-2 rout of TY.

TX exploded for four runs in the seventh inning to stretch their winning streak to five games by beating TY 7-5.

b. No entry

c. Complex Sentences

TX act as-Cl.
TX jumped on two TY hurlers for 12 hits as TX edged TY 9-8.

TX pounced on five TY hurlers for 13 hits as TX streaked past TY 11-4.

TX pounded two TYP for 12 hits, including three home runs, as TX stomped TY 9-1.

TX exploded for eight runs in the top of the first as TX breezed to a 12-6 victory over TY.

TX had six consecutive hits to score four runs off TYP in the first two innings as TX downed TY 7-3 in the second game of a twi-night doubleheader.

The ML front runner TX continued their w.s. to nine games as Ba and Bb paired for roundtrippers to help TX whip TY 7-1.

TX, who have clinched the ML title, blanked TY 2-0 as Pa pitched a two-hitter.

TX whipped the defending Japan champion TY 9-1 as Ba hit a grand slam and Pa's 4-hitter went the distance.
TX stopped TY's winning series at four games when Ba ripped a tie-breaking, RBI-single and Bb slugged a double for TX to shade TY 5-4.

**TXv41**

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TX extended their w.s. to eight games when last year’s ML home-run king, Ba, smashed a tie-breaking, winning two-run homer in the bottom of the eighth inning to help TX shade TY 4-2.

d. Compound Complex Sentences

**TXf9**

TX act and P act as Cl.

**TXv42**

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TX chased TYPa with a six-run first inning, three runs scoring on Ba’s double, and Pa pitched a three-hitter as TX breezed to a 2-1 victory over TY.

**TXf10**

TX act as B act and P act

**TXv43**

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TX routed TY 9-1 as Ba drilled a three-run homer in a five-run third inning and Pa pitched a five-hitter.

TX again downed TY as Pa and Pb combined for an eight-hitter and Ba hit two homers in a row to top the ML home run derby.

**TXv44**

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TX made it a sweep, winning the nightcap 7-3, as Ba’s triple ignited a four-run seventh inning and Pa scattered a six-hitter.
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2. When TX have a doubleheader
   a. Simple Sentences

   TX act
   TX sweep a doubleheader from TY d-e and f-g

   The ML front-running TX swept a doubleheader from TY 4-3 and 2-0.

   TX sweep a doubleheader from TY, taking the first game opener
   d-e and winning the nightcap f-g
   taking the second game

   TX swept a doubleheader from TY, taking the opener 12-10 in 11 innings and winning the nightcap 8-1.

   b. No entry
   c. Complex Sentences

   TX do sth, Pres. P. Phr. and Pres. P. Phr. as-Cl.

   TX sweep a doubleheader from TY, taking the first game opener
   d-e behind P’s action and winning the nighter f-g as-Cl.
   on B’s action taking the second game

   TX swept a doubleheader from TY, winning the opener 4-1 behind P’s five-hitter and taking the second game 3-1 as Ba and Bb homered, spoiling a three-hitter by TY’s Pb.

   TX do sth, do sth as-Cl.

   TX win the first game d-e behind on B/P’s action,
   drop the second game f-g as-Cl.
   win

   TX won the opener 3-1 on Pa’s four-hitter, dropped the second game 6-2 as TY rookie Ba scored on reliever Pb’s wild pitch to ignite a four-run eighth inning.
d. No entry

e. Three Sentences

The conclusive sentence. The first-game-report sentence. The second-game-report sentence.

**TXv49** Conclusion in Simple sentence. The first-game report in Compound Sentence. The second-game report in Simple Sentence.

TX swept a pair from TY. Pa pitched a four-hitter and Ba homered to give a 1-0 victory in the opener. In the second game, pinch-hitter Bb tied a major-league record by doubling home two runs in the ninth to give a 5-4 victory.

**TXv50** Conclusion in Simple Sentence. The first-game report in Complex Sentence. The second-game report in Simple Sentence.

TX and TY split a doubleheader. TX won the opener 8-1 as Ba belted a two-run homer and Bb and Bc added solo shots. TYBa’s leadoff homer in the bottom of the 12th inning lifted TY to a 5-4 triumph in the second game.

**TXv51** Conclusion in Simple Sentence. The first-game report in Complex Sentence. The second-game report in Complex Sentence.

TX and TY split a doubleheader. TXPa, in his first major-league start, combined with TXPb on a three-hitter as TX won the opener 3-1. In the second game, TYBa—traded by TX to TY—hit a two-run homer as TY won 6-4.

3. When TX tie with TY

a. Simple Sentences

| TXf16 | TX | draw against | TY |

**TXv52** TX draw d-d against TY

TX drew for the second straight night, 2-2, against TY in ten innings.

**TXv53** TX act to a d-d draw with TY

TX used 21 players to struggle back to a 3-3 draw with the league-leading TY.
TXv54 **TX tie d-d with TY**

TX tied 5-5 with TY in the 10th inning due to the time limit.

TXv55 **TX be tied with TY at d-d**

TX were tied with TY at 7-7 after nine innings in a game called off due to the time limit.

TXv56 **TX act to end in a d-d tie with TY**

The front-running TX rallied from three runs in the bottom of the ninth inning to end in a 6-6 tie with TY.

TXf17 TX and TY act

TXv57 **TX and TY act Prep. Phr.**

The front-running TX and the second-place TY battled for nearly four hours to a 4-4 draw.

TX and TY played to a 5-5 tie in a game called by rain in the bottom of the 11th.

TXv58 **TX and TY act to-Inf. Phr.**

The high-flying TX and the runner-up TY battled 10 innings to end in a 3-3 draw.

TXv59 **TX and TY| draw| the game (at)| d-d**

| tie| d all |

The league-leading TX and TY drew the game 4-4 after four hours of a seasaw game due to the time limit.

TX and TY tied the game 6-6 after the ninth inning due to the time limit.

TX and TY tied the game six all after the tenth inning due to the time limit.

TXv60 **TX and TY finish their game in a d-d tie**

TX and TY finished their game in a 7-7 tie due to the time limit.

TXf18 The game between TX and TY end in a tie

TXv61 **The game between TX and TY end in a d-d tie.**

The game between TX and TY ended in a 4-4 tie due to the time limit.
b. No entry

c. Complex Sentences

The game between TX and TY end in a tie as Cl.

The game between TX and TY ended in a 4-4 tie as TX's Ba ripped his second solo homer of the night in the bottom of the eighth inning.

4. When TX lose to TY

a. Simple Sentences

TX drop a V to TY

TX drop a d-e decision to TY

TX dropped a 4-2 decision to TY.

TX lose to TY

TX lose to TY d-e

TX lost to TY 10-1.

TX lose d-e to TY

TX lost 4-0 to TY.

TX lose their game against TY

The ML defending champions TX lost their fourth consecutive game against TY 4-3.

TX act in losing to TY

TX commit Er in losing d-e to TY

TX committed three costly errors in losing 5-1 to TY.

b. No entry

c. Complex Sentences

TX lose their game after Cl.

TX lose their game after TYB/P help TY beat TX d-e

TX lost their first game of the year after a two-run homer by TYBa helped beat TX 5-2.

TX's bid for V be ruined by TY, who Cl.
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TXv69  TX’s bid for V be ruined by TY, who act

The league-leading TX’s bid for a major-league record 18th straight road victory was ruined by TY, who got home runs from Ba and Bb for a 7-3 triumph.

d. Compound Complex Sentences

| TXv70 | TX | fall | lose | to TY as-Cl. |

TX fell to TY 7-2 as TYBa drove in two runs with a single and his 22nd homer and TYPa and TYPb combined on a five-hitter.

D. R-headed Topic-Sentence Formulas and Varieties

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  Pres. P. Phr. to-Inf. Phr. |

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a. Simple Sentences
Rf1  R act, Pres. P. Phr.

Rv1  **R act, giving TX a d-e V over TY**

Ra scored from third base on Ba’a forceout grounder in the eighth inning, giving TX a 7-6 victory over TY.

Pinch-runner Ra scored on TYPa’ wild pitch in the seventh inning, giving TX a 3-2 victory over TY and a sweep of their doubleheader.

Rf2  R act to-Inf. Phr.

Rv2  **R act to give TX a d-e V over TY**

Ra scored from second base on an infield out in the bottom of the 12th inning to give TX, held hitless for 8⅓ innings by rookie TYPa, a 1-0 victory over TY and a sweep of their Sunday doubleheader.

Ra raced all the way home from second base on Ba’s fielder’s choice grounder in the ninth inning to give TX a 2-1 victory over TY.

Ra raced home with the tie-breaking run on TYPa’s wild pitch in the top of the 10th inning to give TX a wild 11-10 victory over TY.

Rv3  **R act to lift TX past TX d-e**

Ra stole three bases and scored three runs to lead TX past TX 4-3.

Rv4  **R act to carry lift TX to a d-e V over TY**

Ra raced home from third on a wild pitch by TYPa with one out in the top of the eighth inning to lift TX to a 4-3 triumph over TY.

b. Compound Sentences

Rf3  R act and TX act

Rv5  **R act and TX go on to a d-e V over TY**

Pinch runner Ra scored the tie-breaking run on rookie TYPa’s wild pitch with two outs in the ninth inning and TX went on to a 3-1 victory over TY behind Pb’s five-hitter.

Rf4  R act and B act, Pres. P. Phr.

B act and R act
Rv6  **R act and B act, giving TV a d-e V over TY**

Pinch runner Ra raced home from second base with the tying run on a wild pitch in the eighth inning and Ba homered on the next pitch from TY reliever Pa, giving TX a 4-3 victory over TY.

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R act and B act  to-Inf. Phr.
B act and R act  
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Rv7  **B act and R act to give TX a d-e V over TY**

Ba hit a two-out, ninth-inning, wind-blown single down the third base line and Ra raced home from first to give TX their seventh consecutive victory, 7-6 over TY.

c. Complex Sentences

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Rf6  R act as-CI.
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Rv8  **R race home on B’s action as TX (act to) beat TY d-e**

Ra went from first to third on an infield grounder and then scored on a wild pitch as TX rallied to beat TY 2-1 in 13 innings.

Ra raced home from third on Ba’s groundout in the eighth inning as TX edged the visiting TY 3-2.

Rv9  **R steal a base as TX beat TY d-e.**

TXRa stole his 1000th career base for the first time in Japanese pro-baseball history as TX whipped TY 13-2.

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Rf7  R act when-CI.
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Rv10  **R act when TYF commit Er, giving TX a d-e V over TY**

Ra scored from third base when TY shortstop Fa booted two-out grounder in the 16th inning, giving TX a 2-1 victory over TY.

Ra scored the winning run from third base when TYFa bobbled Ba’s two-out grounder in the tenth-inning, giving TX a 4-3 victory over TY.
E. TYF-headed Topic-Sentence Formulas and Varieties

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b. Compound Sentences

| TYFf5 | TYF | TYP | act and TX act | TYFv 5 |

b. Complex Sentences

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a. Simple Sentences

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<td>Relief southpaw TYPa committed a costly throwing error to let in a winning run in the bottom of the ninth inning, presenting TX with a 2-1 victory over TY.</td>
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Left-hander TYPa walked TXBa with bases loaded in the ninth inning to give TX a 7-6 victory over TY.

TYFF3  
TYF  act for TX to-Inf. Phr.  
TYP

TYFv3  
TYF  commit Er and set the stage for TX to beat TY d-e  
TYP

TYFa dropped TXBa's fly to deep center for a three-base error and set the stage for TX to score twice in the 10th inning and beat TY 4-2.

TYFv4  
TYP be walked by TXB to give TX a V  
TYPa was walked by TXBa with the bases full and two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning to give TX a 2-1 victory over TY.

b. Compound Sentences

TYFv5  
TYP walk TXR and TX beat TY d-e  
TYP

TY reliever Pa walked TXRa with the bases loaded and TX beat TY 3-2.

c. Complex Sentences

TYFv6  
TYF  commit Er as TX beat TY d-e  
TYP

TY third baseman Fa committed a throwing error to allow the winning run to score as TX beat TY 4-3 in 10 innings.

TYFv7  
TYF  commit Er as TX rally for a d-e V over TY  
TYP

TY reliever Pb balked home the winning run in the 10th inning as TX rallied for a 5-4 victory over TY.
TYFv8  TYF  commit Er that  lift  TY over TY
      TYP

TYFa dropped a two-out bunt single down the first-base line that
scored TXRa from third base and lifted TX over TY 4-3.

TYFv9  TYF  commit Er that give TX a V
      TYP

TY reliever Pa walked pinch hitter TXBa with the bases loaded to
force in the winning run and climax a two-run ninth-inning that gave
TX a 7-6 victory over TY.

TYFv10 TYF  act, doing sth that give TX a V
      TYP

TY shortstop Fa booted TXBa's routine grounder with two out in the
10th inning, allowing TXRa to score with the first of three runs that
gave TX an 8-5 victory over TY.

F. Topic-Sentence Formulas and Varieties Headed by TYF's Er

Table

a. Simple Sentences

| Erf1  | TYF's Er do sth         | 1  |
| Erf2  | TYF's Er allow TX to-Inf. Phr. | 2  |
| Erf3  | TYF's Er allow TXR to-Inf. and do sth | 3  |
| Erf4  | TYF's Er allow TXR to-Inf., Pres. P. Phr. | 4  |

b. No entry

c. Complex Sentences

| Erf5  | TYF's Er allow TXR to-Inf. as-Cl | 5  |
| Erf6  | TYF's Er allow TXR to do sth that-Cl. | 6  |
| Erf7  | TYF's Er do sth that-Cl. | 7-8 |

a. Simple Sentences
TYF’s Er do sth

TYF’s Er allow r and give TX a V

A throwing error by TYFa with the bases loaded in the ninth inning allowed two runs to score and gave TX a 2-1 victory over TY.

TYF’s Er allow TX to-Inf. Phr.

TYF’s Er allow TX to | beat | TY

TY second baseman Fa’s throwing error allowed TX to beat TY 8-7, breaking TY’s nine-game w.s., longest in the major league this season.

TYF’s Er allow TXR to-Inf. and do sth

TYF’s Er allow TXR to-Inf. and give TX a V

TYFa’s throwing error in the bottom of the 11th inning allowed TXRa to score the winning run and gave TX a 2-1 victory over TY.

TY’s shortstop Fa’s error in the bottom of the ninth inning allowed TXRa to score from second base and give TX a 7-6 victory over TY.

TYF’s Er allow TXR to-Inf., Pres. P. Phr.

TYF’s Er allow TXR to Inf., giving TX a V

A throwing error by TY center fielder Fa on a single by TXBa allowed Ra to score from first base in the bottom of the ninth inning, giving TX an 8-7 victory over TY.

b. No entry

c. Complex Sentences

TYF’s Er allow TXR to-Inf. as Cl.

TYF’s Er allow TXR to score as TX | beat | TY

TY third baseman Fa’s wild throw home on TXBa’s grounder allowed Ra to score the winning run in the bottom of the 10th inning as TX edged TY 5-4.
A wild pitch by TYPa allowed TXRa to score the winning run in the eighth inning as TX edged TY 4-3.

TYF's Er allow TXR to do sth that-CI.

TYF's Er allow TXR to score r that give TX a V
Er by TYF

An error by third baseman TYFa on TXBa's grounder allowed pinch runner TXRa to score the winning run in a three-run ninth inning that gave TX a 4-3 victory over TY.

TYF's Er do sth that-CI.

TYF's Er precede TXB's walk that give TX a V
Er by TYF

TY third baseman Fa's second error of the game preceded Ba's bases-loaded walk in the bottom of the ninth inning that gave TX a 6-5 victory over TY.

TYF's Er pave the way for sth that help TX beat TY
Er by TYF

A two-base error by TY left-fielder Fa paved the way for a three-run third inning that helped TX defeat TY 6-4.

III. The Total Survey of Topic-Sentence Formulas and Varieties

a. How Many Varieties

It is amazing how so many varieties of topic sentences can introduce baseball news-reports in the English newspapers. In the previous paper, the writer counted forty-seven (47) sentence formulas and one hundred and forty-four (144) formula varieties headed by B or B's action. Now, in this paper, new sentence formulas and formula varieties headed by P, BP, TX, R, TYF, and TYF's Er add up to seventy-two (72) and one hundred and ninety-eight (198) respectively. This means
that we count one hundred and nineteen (119) sentence formulas and three hundred and forty-two (342) formula varieties in total.

b. Which Head Leads Most Frequently

Among B, P, BP, TX, TYF and TYF's Er, which head leads the topic sentences most frequently? Which head leads the topic sentences least frequently? The writer has never paid attention to these questions. He has never counted in daily papers the percentage of their appearance as the topic-sentence subject.

In his papers the writer counts 144Bv, 60Pv, 40BPv, 70TXv, 10Rv, 10TYFv, and 8Erv. This does not necessarily mean with what frequency percentage they appear in daily papers as the subject of topic sentences.

Of the total 342 varieties in our paper, a simple calculation displays a naïve reference as the following:

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c. Table of the Formula-and-Variety Distribution

On the following page is given a table showing a numerical distribution of formulas and varieties that each head has. In the table, 'in DH', under the head of TX, stands for 'in a doubleheader'.
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Postscript

This is to wrap up the writer's work attempting to collect and classify the topic sentences that appeared in the baseball news columns of the Japan Times during about two and a half baseball seasons previous to July 11, 1984.

The writer is obliged to admit that he does not think he has made an exhaustive collection of the sort and that his classification leaves not a little to be desired. He thinks, however, he has laid a groundwork upon which he could hope to build up further.
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