Argument Diagrams

1.	Cottage cheese will help you to be slender, youthful, and more beautiful. Enjoy it often.
2.	Since the marginal utility of money decreases as one has more of it, upper-income taxpayers can afford to pay a proportionally greater share of their incomes than can the poor.
	-Robert Ricketts
3.	If you want to listen to loud music, do it when we are not at home. It bothers us, and we're your parents.
4.	You really shouldn't wear those shoes any more. They're too small, and they're pretty worn out as it is. Besides, they look funny.
5.	Drug use is wrong because it is immoral, and it is immoral because it enslaves the mind and destroys the soul.
	-James Q. Wilson
6.	Either there's a burglar outside, or there's a dog in the garbage. There can't be a dog in the garbage, because we have a fence around the house. So, there must be a burglar outside.
7.	If you want to see the best version of The Three Musketeers, try the 1948 version. Lana Turner is luscious, Vincent Price is dastardly; Angela Lansbury is exquisitely regal; and nobody ever has or ever will portray D'Artagnan with the grace, athleticism, or skill of Gene Kelly. Rent it. It's a must.
8.	You really shouldn't buy a television set that costs over \$300, and that one costs \$450. Besides, it's too big for your room anyway.

9.	It's Monday, so the mail carrier will probably arrive after noon today. He u comes in the early afternoon on Mondays.	sually
10	D. Let's see. I know our policy covers us if our car is stolen or if the windows broken. So, chances are it'll cover us if someone steals the stereo, too. In fa homeowners policy covers stereos, and our car policy covers a lot of the sat the homeowners policy covers.	ct, our
11	1. People who read more tend to have better vocabularies than those who don having a good vocabulary makes you a better speaker and writer. Since goo speaking and writing are important job skills, you are probably a better job if you read a lot.	od
12	2. The past does not exist, and neither does the future. Hence, only the present However, during the present there can be no lapse of time, since the present instantaneous. Therefore, time does not exist. -D	
13	3. Without dust there would be no twilight, no blue skies, no gorgeous sunsets the ethereal color effects that hold landscape painters in thrall. If light were scattered by myriad minute dust particles in the air, the sun's heat would be unbearable. Without dust to serve as nucleation sites, rain clouds would not form, and so the days would be intensely hot and the nights intensely cold. sum, makes life possible on this planet. -Iv	not t readily
14	1. Nothing is demonstrable unless the contrary implies a contradiction. Nothin distinctively conceivable implies a contradiction. Whatever we conceive as we can also conceive as non-existent. There is no being, therefore, whose n existence implies a contradiction. Consequently there is no being whose ex demonstrable. -D	existent, on-

15. Here is a gentleman of medical type, but with the air of a military man. Clearly an army doctor, then. He has just come from the tropics, for his face is dark, and that is not the natural tint of his skin, for his wrists are fair. He has undergone hardship and sickness, as his haggard face says clearly. His left arm has been injured. He holds it in a stiff and unnatural manner. Where in the tropics could an English army doctor have seen such hardship and get his arm wounded? Clearly in Afghanistan.'

-Sherlock Holmes

16. America's farm policy desperately needs revamping. Seventy-three cents of every farm program dollar ends up in the pockets of the nation's superfarmers. As a result, the mid-sized family farms are being squeezed out of existence. Also, our farm policy courts environmental disaster. Federal subsidies encourage farmers to use enormous amounts of fertilizer and pesticides. These chemicals percolate down through the soil and pollute limited groundwater.

-Osha Gray Davidson

17. By any standard one wants to set, Americans are not learning science. All too often what is taught is better not taught at all. All too often the mind-set against science and the fear of mathematics are solidly installed in grade school. All too often science can be skipped in high school and in most colleges. As for most American college students, the science requirement is a sad joke.

-Leon Lederman

18. The idea of a free press in America today is a joke. A small group of people, the nation's advertsiers, control the media more effectively than if they owned it outright. Through fear of an advertising boycott, they can dictate everything from programming to news report content. Politicians as well as editors shiver in their boots at the thought of such a boycott. This situation is intolerable and ought to be changed. I suggest we all listen to National Public Radio and public television.