

Worksheet “Working with Corpus Data”

Task 1

a) Below you find some examples which were taken from US American Soap Operas (spoken language). Look at each block of examples and try to identify a pattern which the examples have in common. Write down your ideas.

Block A:

27	2011	YR	A	B	C	crowd her , Bro . Neil: No . I should just invite her to a wedding where her husband was killed . Malcolm: Okay
28	2008	YR	A	B	C	to find out if she 's really sincere ; Let 's invite her to dinner ; I mean , for real . Will you
29	2010	ATWT	A	B	C	remember not too long ago that you two would n't even invite her to Hallie 's christening . Gwen: Okay , your mom is
30	2005	ATWT	A	B	C	doing today . # Jack: Well , why do n't you invite her to join us ? Ask Emma , I 'm sure she
31	2011	AMC	A	B	C	hire somebody full-time to take care of our baby , you invite her to move into our house without discussing it with me .
32	2009	GH	A	B	C	either refrain from inviting her to Wyndemere all together or invite her to spend the night . Having her for dinner only does
33	2002	DAYS	A	B	C	be further from the truth . John: Then why did you invite her to the dinner party ? Tony: I thought I explained it
34	2009	GL	A	B	C	it 's ringing ? What ... you called Natalia ? Emma: Invite her to the party . Please ? Olivia: I 'll mention it

Pattern: _____ + _____ + _____ + _____

Block B:

156	2008	ATWT	A	B	C	family room , too . Lily: Carly , I did n't invite you over here to trade decorating tips . Carly: I know .
157	2007	AMC	A	B	C	Thank you . You know what ? I did n't just invite you over here to talk about it , because I want you
158	2001	OLTL	A	B	C	. # Antonio: So I thought I 'd call you and invite you over to my place for lunch and , you know ,
159	2009	OLTL	A	B	C	see you guys out somewhere , or whether my mom would invite you over and we would finally meet . But I decided

Pattern: _____ + _____ + _____

Block C:

37	2009	ATWT	A	B	C	, that 's up to her . Rosanna: How can I turn down an invitation from my favorite boy ? Craig: All right .
38	2008	GH	A	B	C	ago . # Nikolas: You made it , Nadine: I never turn down an invitation to ride . Nikolas: Oh , I 'm glad
39	2006	AMC	A	B	C	. # Julia: Note to self -- when someone tries to turn down an invitation hear them out . Ryan: It was incredibly

Pattern: _____ + _____ + _____ + _____

b) Now that you know how to use the nouns *invitation* and *invite* as well as the verb *invite*, try to assign the phrases below to the correct category.

Thank sb for + invite / should have a party / Thank you, I accept the invite / Thank you for the invite, but I'm gonna pass... / invite sb in / invite + back / could + invite / turn down an invitation / I appreciate the invite / I appreciate the invite, but... / thanks for inviting sb / invite sb to sth / invite sb for sth / invite sb to join / accept an invitation / invite to sth / invite + noun / I would like to invite sb / thank you for the invite, but I can't... / to invite sb over / an invite to sth

Accept an invitation

Give/express an invitation

Refuse an invitation
