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- **1.** Allen's (1995, pg. 435) adaptation of Wilks (1975).
 - John drank the wine on the table. It was brown and round.
- 2. Adapted from Sidner (1979).
 - a. Albert is a nice guy but a little clueless.
 - b. He told me he was sending me a book, but he sent it by surface mail.
 - c. It was actually a pretty interesting book —
 - d. apparently there's a weird new theory involving "sideways" quarks.
 - e. Anyway, I finally got it about two weeks ago.
 - f. They've been fundamental to understanding the "new relativity".
- 3. From Polanyi and Scha (1988), I think; cited in Grosz and Sidner 1986 as "forthcoming".
 - a. John came by and left the groceries.
 - b. Stop that you kids.
 - c. And I put them away after he left.
- 4. From Grishman (1986), pg. 157.
 - A: Do you know when the train to Boston leaves?
 - B: Yes
 - A: I want to know when the train to Boston leaves.
 - B: I understand.

Source: Match 1 (1996), Game 2 of Kasparov vs. Deep Blue. Stenographer transcription (authentic typos)

- 1 MR. ASHLEY: Welcome to the ACM chess challenge. I'm Maurice Ashley. My
- 2 partner is Yasser Seirwan. Garry Kasparov is playing against IBM's
- 3 Deep Blue, and as most everybody here knows, he is down 1 nothing
- 4 already. So Kasparov needing to play well in order to come back. A big
- 5 question for him is whether or not he can handle the psychological
- 6 pressure of being down against the computer that, first of all,
- 7 everybody thought he was going to beat, including himself and, second
- 8 of all, he simply has no idea how strong it is because this version
- 9 that they're using has never been tested and is clearly playing some
- 10 excellent chess.
- 11 Yasser, yesterday's game was a model of computer cold-bloodedness.
- 12 MR. SEIRAWAN: Precision.
- 13 MR. ASHLEY: It just did not care about Kasparov's attack and just
- 14 ripped him off the board. It was unbelievable.
- 15 MR. SEIRAWAN: It's terrible. I'm still recovering.
- 16 (Laughter.)
- 17 MR. SEIRAWAN: Actually, prior to the match I had said, okay, it's
- 18 great. This is wonderful. There's a lot of hype, the best computer
- 19 the world versus the best human player in the world. Well, it's no
- 20 contest. Garry is going to just win. And I would be shocked, shocked

- 21 if the computer won any game. So naturally --
- 22 MR. ASHLEY: So you're in shock.
- 23 MR. SEIRAWAN: I'm in shock.
- 24 So naturally Deep Blue won the first, and just as you were saying,
- 25 Maurice, I can't fault any single move that the computer made.
- 26 We had dinner last night together with a group of ourselves, and we
- 27 just kept going through the game at various stages, and we said, this
- 28 is a very, very serious opponent for Garry. This is a very legitimate
- 29 match, and of course now that Garry is down a point, he's got to prove
- 30 himself. Yesterday I had spoken about the fact that in tennis -- and
- 31 again I'm probably misattributing the quote. It was of Rod Laver, when
- 32 he was going to sum up his opposition, he said, I only need to see 3
- 33 shots. I need to see the forehand, backhand and the serve, and then I
- 34 will tell you how long or how many sets the match is going to last
- 35 before I win.
- 36 And Garry said the same thing on Friday at the press conference. He
- 37 said basically I need to see the computer on offense, on defense, and
- 38 then the match is going to be mine. So he basically saw the first 2
- 39 games as just being his ability to sum up his opponent and then
- 40 vanquish him in the latter half of the match.
- 41 Well, that may still work, but he's got his work cut out for him. He's
- 42 made it more difficult for himself.
- 43 MR. ASHLEY: What about the psychological pressure on him? From what
- 44 I've seen, I've seen Kasparov down in matches before. He was down
- 45 against Anand in game 9. He was down against Kramnik in the Paris leg
- 46 of the Gran Prix tournament and came back and won. In each case
- 47 Kasparov seems to bounce back from matches. He is not just the kind of
- 48 guy who goes down in chess games and falls apart.