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| No | Clause | Speech Act Classification | | | | |
| Representative | Directive | Commissive | Expressive | Declarative |
| 1 | Well, they all took the same poison; | Informing (took) |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | um, they were found in places they had no reason to be | Informing (were found) |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | None of them had shown any prior indication of (something) | Informing (had shown) |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Well, apparently you can (do it). | Asserting (can) |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | There’s no link been found yet, | Infrming |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | but we’re looking for it. |  |  | Promising (are looking) |  |  |
| 7 | There has to be one (link). | Asserting (has) |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | As I say, these ... these suicides are clearly linked. | Asserting (are linked) |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | Um, it’s an ... it’s an unusual situation. | Asserting (is) |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | We’ve got our best people investigating ... | Informing (have got) |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | I ... I know that you like writing about these, | Informing (know) |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | but these do appear to be suicides. | Asserting (do appear) |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | We know the difference (between A and B). | Informing (know) |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | The, um, the poison was clearly self-administered. | Asserting (was self-administered) |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | Well, don’t commit suicide. |  | Advising (don’t) |  |  |  |
| 16 | Obviously this is a frightening time for people, | Asserting (is) |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | but all anyone has to do is exercise reasonable precautions. | Asserting (is) |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | We are all as safe as we want to be. | Asserting (are) |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | Thank you. |  |  |  | Thanking |  |
| 20 | Well, if you can tell me how he does it, |  | Requesting (tell) |  |  |  |
| 21 | I’ll stop him. |  |  | Promising (will) |  |  |
| 22 | (It is) Brixton, Lauriston Gardens. | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | You know how they never leave notes? |  | Ensuring (know) |  |  |  |
| 24 | This one did. | Informing (did) |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | Will you come? |  | Requesting (come) |  |  |  |
| 26 | It’s Anderson. | Informing (is) |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | Well, he won’t be your assistant. |  |  | Promising (will) |  |  |
| 28 | Who’s this? |  | Asking (is) |  |  |  |
| 29 | But who is he? |  | Asking (is) |  |  |  |
| 30 | (We are) Upstairs. | Informing (are) |  |  |  |  |
| 31 | I can give you two minutes. |  |  | Offering (can give) |  |  |
| 32 | Her name is Jennifer Wilson according to her credit cards | Informing (is) |  |  |  |  |
| 33 | We’re running them (credit cards) now for contact details. | Informing (are) |  |  |  |  |
| 34 | (She) Hasn’t been here long. | Informing (has not shown) |  |  |  |  |
| 35 | Some kids found her (Jennifer). | Informing (found) |  |  |  |  |
| 36 | I didn’t say anything. | Asserting (did not say) |  |  |  |  |
| 37 | Got anything? |  | Asking (got) |  |  |  |
| 38 | So she’s German? |  | Asking (is) |  |  |  |
| 39 | What (do you know) about the message, though? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 40 | Wait, no, we have a whole team right outside. | Informing (have) |  |  |  |  |
| 41 | I’m breaking every rule letting you in here. | Asserting (am breaking) |  |  |  |  |
| 42 | Yes, I do. | Asserting (do) |  |  |  |  |
| 43 | God help me. |  | Begging (help) |  |  |  |
| 44 | Oh, do as he says. |  | Permitting (do) |  |  |  |
| 45 | Help yourself. |  |  | Offering (help) |  |  |
| 46 | Anderson, keep everyone out for a couple of minutes. |  | Ordering (keep) |  |  |  |
| 47 | Sherlock – two minutes, I said. |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 48 | I need anything you’ve got. |  | Requesting (need) |  |  |  |
| 49 | Suitcase? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 50 | Oh, for God’s sake, |  |  |  | Praising |  |
| 51 | if you’re just making this up ... |  |  |  |  |  |
| 52 | Cardiff? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 53 | Why d’you keep saying suitcase? |  | Askng |  |  |  |
| 54 | She was writing ‘Rachel’? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 55 | How d’you know she had a suitcase? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 56 | There wasn’t a case. | Informing (was not) |  |  |  |  |
| 57 | There was never any case. | Informing (was never) |  |  |  |  |
| 58 | Sherlock, there was no case! | Informing (was) |  |  |  |  |
| 59 | Right, yeah, thanks(!) |  |  |  | Thanking |  |
| 60 | And ...? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 61 | Why are you saying that? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 62 | What is it, what? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 63 | We can’t just wait! | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 64 | Of course, yeah | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 65 | but what mistake?! |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 66 | Donovan! |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 67 | Well, I knew you’d find the case. | Predicting (knew) |  |  |  |  |
| 68 | I’m not stupid. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 69 | And you can’t withhold evidence. |  | Ordering (can’t hold) |  |  |  |
| 70 | And I didn’t break into your flat. | Asserting (didn’t break) |  |  |  |  |
| 71 | It’s a drugs bust. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 72 | No, Anderson‘s my sniffer dog. | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 73 | They all did. | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 74 | They’re not strictly speaking on the drugs squad, | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 75 | but they’re very keen. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 76 | Keep looking, guys. |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 77 | Or you could help us properly |  | Requesting |  |  |  |
| 78 | and I’ll stand them down. |  |  | Promising |  |  |
| 79 | Well, I’m dealing with a child. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 80 | Sherlock, this is our case. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 81 | I’m letting you in |  | Permitting |  |  |  |
| 82 | but you do not go off on your own. |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 83 | Clear? |  |  |  |  |  |
| 84 | It stops being pretend |  |  | Promising |  |  |
| 85 | if they find anything. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 86 | Is your flat (clean as well)? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 87 | All of it (clean)? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 88 | Neither do I. | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 89 | So let’s work together. |  | Inviting |  |  |  |
| 90 | We’ve found Rachel. | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 90 | Jennifer Wilson’s only daughter. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 91 | She’s dead. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 92 | Well, I doubt it (that Rachel has any connection with the murder), | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 93 | since she’s been dead for fourteen years. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 94 | Technically she was never alive. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 95 | Rachel was Jennifer Wilson’s stillborn daughter, fourteen years ago. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 96 | Everybody quiet and still. |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 97 | Anderson, turn your back. |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 98 | Your back, now, please! |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 99 | But how? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 100 | Unless he got rid of it. | Assertive |  |  |  |  |
| 101 | We’ll just have a map reference, not a name. |  |  | Offering |  |  |
| 102 | Well, maybe it was in the case | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 103 | when you brought it back | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 104 | and it fell out somewhere. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 105 | Guys, we’re also looking for a mobile somewhere here, belonged to the victim... |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 106 | If it’s ringing, | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 107 | it’s not here. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 108 | Okay, everybody. Done ‘ere. |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 109 | Why did he do that? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 110 | Why did he have to leave? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 111 | I’ve known him for five years | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 112 | and no, I don’t (know him better, either) | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 113 | Because I’m desperate, that’s why. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 114 | And because Sherlock Holmes is a great man. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | And I think one day, if we were very very lucky, | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 116 | he might even be a good one. | Predicting |  |  |  |  |
| 117 | Yeah, but some of the guys wanna take photographs. | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 118 | (The shooter has been) Cleared off before we got ’ere. | Informing |  |  |  |  |
| 119 | But a guy like that would have had enemies, I suppose. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 120 | One of them could have been following him | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 121 | but got nothing to go on. | Asserting |  |  |  |  |
| 122 | Okay, gimme (your analysis). |  | Requesting |  |  |  |
| 123 | Sorry? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 124 | Where’re you going? |  | Asking |  |  |  |
| 125 | But I’ve still got questions for you. |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 126 | Sherlock! |  | Ordering |  |  |  |
| 127 | Okay, we’ll bring you in tomorrow |  |  | Promising |  |  |
| 128 | Off you go. |  | Permitting |  |  |  |