
Chapter 10: Multi-clause Constructions

Thai

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1. mâ: k^hǒ hây pra:ŋ t^ham ka:n bâ:n. 'Mother asks Prang to do homework.'
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2. mâ: yaák hây pra:ŋ t^ham ka:n bâ:n. 'Mother wants Prang to do homework.'
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3. č^hán č^hōp t^ham ka:n bâ:n. 'I like to do homework.'
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4. č^hán līim t^ham ka:n bâ:n. 'I forget to do homework.'
5. *č^hán līim pra:ŋ t^ham ka:n bâ:n.
6. č^hán waŋ wa: pra:ŋ čə ma:. 'I hope that Prang will come.'
7. *č^hān čhōp čə tham ka:n bâ:n.
8. č^hán khit wa: khaw čə ma:. 'I think he will come.'
9. Vip rīi wa: č^hán kin aha:n. 'Vip knew I was eating rice.'
10. Vip p^huut wa: khaw kin aha:n. 'Vip said that he ate rice.'
11. č^hán siacay t^hii k^hun pay. 'I am sorry that you are going.'
12. č^hán rōnkay t^hii k^haw pay. 'I am anxious about his going.'
13. č^hán kroot t_hii raw čə pay. 'I am angry that we are going to go.'
14. č^hán siakay t_hii k^hun k^hon pay. 'I am sorry that you might go.'
15. *č^hán ya:k hay k^hun čə pay.
16. *č^hán ya:k hay k^hun k^hon pay.
17. *Vip p^huut k^haw kin aha:n.
18. *č^hán siakay pay.
19. k^haw k^hit wa: č^hán k^hon ma:.

A. Fill in the probable English translation of number 19.

B. There are four grammatically distinct complement types in Thai. Line them up on a continuum of finiteness, and give evidence for why you arrange them the way you do (you may want to group two complement types together for this purpose).

C. Try to motivate the semantic classes of matrix verbs that occur with each of the complement types.