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La leçon se déroule en anglais. Elle est suivie d'un entretien en français.

SUBJECT:

- " 4a. I_i hate to PRO_i admit it.
 4b. She_i persuaded him_j to PRO_j stay.
 4c. She_i promised him to PRO_i stay.

The various theories proposed to account for obligatory control in verb complements are essentially of two types: configurational or semantic/lexicalist. Configurational accounts, following Rosenbaum (1967), are typically based on the so-called Minimal Distance Principle (MDP), according to which PRO is controlled by the closest NP higher in the phrase structure (in generative terms, the closest 'c-commanding' NP). In sentences such as (4a), the subject is closest and hence, the controller. In ditransitives, there is an intervening object, usually resulting in object control as in (4b) – but not in (4c). Thus, MDP accounts for the dominating patterns of subject control in simple transitive structures and of object control in ditransitives, but leaves *promise* as a lexical exception.

On the semantic/lexicalist approach, first pursued by Jackendoff (1972), these control patterns are essentially semantic and depend on the meaning of the matrix verb."

Benjamin Lyngfelt, 'Control Phenomena'. In Frank Brisard *et al.*, *Grammar, Meaning and Pragmatics*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins, 2009, p. 36.

Discuss.

Candidates will use relevant excerpts from the following corpus to address the above topic.

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Excerpt 1

Daley would like her to keep out of the public eye, and some colleagues would like her to just leave. But for a campaign whose support from the party's liberal base is shaky, the first African-American woman ever to manage a major presidential campaign can not be fired.

Chicago Sun-Times, 13/08/2000

Excerpt 2

The number of refugees in the capital is dwindling, as most of the men have gone home to try to revive devastated herds and withered crops.

The women and the kids would like to join them, but many don't have enough money.

Associated Press, 20/01/2012

Excerpt 3

The City of Seattle asked people to get home before dark if possible, fearing even worse icing conditions by nightfall. And authorities told pedestrians to be extra careful on sidewalks and to look out for "falling ice from trees, buildings and power lines."

Associated Press, 20/01/2012

Excerpt 4

There, they'd be told by a judge to perform community service to pay back the neighborhood and possibly participate in social services to address underlying issues, such as alcoholism or unemployment.

San Francisco Chronicle, 27/07/2007

Excerpt 5

And then the detective thought there was a major problem with the logic of the story Elicia had first told him about being awakened that night. The doors opened, alarm followed by gunfire. But that's not what Elicia said. She told the police she heard the pop, pop, pop, then the alarm went off.

NBC, 'Dateline', 22/06/2008

Excerpt 6

He had no theory, he said - he was just watching the news and listening to the rumors, like I was, and that he wanted to know what I knew. And I told him about the wallet being found in Modesto.

CNN, 'Talk back', 27/07/1999

Excerpt 7

Look, here is the problem. The "Columbia Review" study talked about taking newspapers to nonprofit status. In fact, for at least the last 40 years most journalists on these papers think they've been engaged in some sort of nonprofit enterprise. They see newspapers as a public trust.

Fox, Journal, 14/11/2009

Excerpt 8

It's hard to read lips in a crowd. When people talked to me about getting a cochlear implant, though, I never was interested.

Gail Wescott, 'A Joyful Noise', People 58, 2002

Excerpt 9

"We felt that there was no reason for Ronald Perelman to withhold the payments that he had promised him to pay, and we're gratified that the jury agreed with us."

New York Times, 28/01/2012

Excerpt 10

The Bradys would have to agree to hold it in their house or not at all. Eventually Rose persuaded them to hold the reception in the house.

John McGahern, Amongst Women, 1990

Excerpt 11

And will the six percent, which the Director of Education has been instructed to save across all central budgets, be enough to cover this years' education overspend?

Bradford Metropolitan Council Meeting, 17/07/1991

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Excerpt 12

Jerry Brown charged Deutch with violating an earlier court order that directed her to repay dissatisfied customers.

USA Today, 24/05/2011

Excerpt 13

As the flames became more intense, he said he shouted to the girls to get out.

Central Television scripts, 1994 (BNC)

Excerpt 14

No interviewer is going to ask you to enlarge or elaborate. As for your own feelings, however difficult you may find it I urge you to overcome them.

The Guardian, 02/02/2013

Excerpt 15

Ken Bates has vowed to go all the way to the House of Lords if necessary in his fight for Stamford Bridge.

Northern Echo, 1994

Excerpt 16

From an international perspective, critics argued that the administration's policy was yet another way to impose American values on the other nations. Moreover, they claimed, because it reflected both the lack of political realism and the importance of American moral principles in shaping foreign policy, it was another American attempt to shape global politics.

James M. McCormick, *American Foreign Policy and Process*, 2010

Excerpt 17

Exactly what the donors intended her to do with their money became Healy's lasting headache.

Newsweek, 17/12/2001

Excerpt 18

Reverend Oliver shouted over the music and the clapping, shouted about making sacrifices in our lives.

The Southern Review 41, 2005

Excerpt 19

"I was 106 pounds. My hair was thinning," she said. The irony is that she was getting featured even more prominently, opening and closing shows. A friend confronted her and talked to her about taking better care of herself.

Dishing on Fashion, 06/02/2007

Excerpt 20

Around five, Captain Tommy called from his Newport office. He wanted to meet at the *Laredo II* in 15 minutes. His voice, usually so calm and cool and controlled, was nervous.

I got into my jogging clothes and made it to Bay Avenue seven minutes before Captain Tommy.

Orange Coast Magazine, 03/1987

Excerpt 21

On his second day in office, he declared a formal end to the Bush-era interrogation program and announced that he would close the prison at Guantanamo Bay next year. But he has upset civil liberties advocates with his decisions to leave prisoners at Bagram Air Force Base in Afghanistan in legal limbo.

Washington Post, 10/05/2009