

## A TRUE STORY

(MORE WORRIED ABOUT GRAMMAR IDENTIFICATION THAN THE PUNCTUATION)

1) [When <sup>S</sup> we finally emerged <sup>AV</sup> (onto Bryson Lake)] the light <sup>S</sup> was nearly gone <sup>verb phrase / Action verb</sup>.

2) A nearly full moon <sup>S</sup> was <sup>LV</sup> (on the rise.)

3) Listening to the roar (of the motor), feeling the cool spray (of the water) and the warm night breeze, and watching [as <sup>S</sup> celestial nightlight <sup>AV</sup> guided us to camp] we <sup>S</sup> rode <sup>AV</sup> the motorboat <sup>DO</sup> home. {This sort of sentence is affectionately known as a crowd pleaser.}

4) It <sup>S</sup> was <sup>LV</sup> nearly an hour-long trip <sup>PN</sup> (with Cappy) (at the helm.)

5) (Near the end), Dayboy and I were watching closely (for the shrub shoal) [that <sup>S</sup> we <sup>AV</sup> had seen earlier (in the day)]

6) We <sup>S</sup> figured <sup>AV</sup> [that <sup>DA</sup> we were close and would <sup>AV</sup> see <sup>DO</sup> it (in the moonlight.)]

7) Finally, I motioned (with my hand) for Cappy to slow down) and yelled (over the motor): "The shoal is near!" - DO

8) Cappy shook his head, motioning [that he could not hear] sped up, and immediately hit the shoal.

9) The motor was still running (after the encounter) but it was running very roughly, so we were relieved [when we saw a roaring campfire that marked our cabin.]

10) We pulled (up to the dock), got out, and joined Buck and Nightboy at "happy after dinner and getting late" hour.)