Lesson 2 / Handout 2b

Semantic roles of clause elements Match all the items from 4 groups below appropriately:

SUBJECT DIRECT OBJECT INDIRECT OBJECT SUBJECT or OBJECT COMPLEMENT

affected participant	agentive participant	attribute: a) identification	recipient participant
		b) characterization	
		c) current attribute	
		d) resulting attribute	

- 1. animate or inanimate, not causing the happening but directly involved in the action
- 2. with verbs used statively
- 3. animate being, passively involved by the happening or state
- 4. with verbs used dynamically
- 5. the animate participant that causes the happening denoted by the verb
- a) We've sold our house.
- b) *John* is cleaning the windows.
- c) She is a doctor. They named their son James. X She is a good doctor. I find her clever.
- d) I bought him a book.
- e) She is my sister. I consider her my best friend. X She became a teacher. She drives me mad.