

Table 2.E

Informal stated-quantity structural categories from Helaman 13:5 through Mormon 4:16

Structural categories

Q = stated-time-relation; R = ordinal-year-event; T = cardinal-years-event; ~ = classified as formal

Placement patterns

Pattern 1: (T) // (QR[Q]RQ) // (TQ[T]QT) // (Q[R]Q)

Pattern 2: (T) // (QTQ[T]QTQ)

Pattern 3: (T[Q]T) // (QT[Q]TQ)

Pattern 4: (TQ[T]QT) // (Q[T]Q)

Pattern 5: (TQ)(TQ)(TQ)(TQ) or (TQTQTQTQ)

Reference	Temporal-expression	Pattern 1	Pattern 2	Pattern 3	Pattern 4	Pattern 5	Associated narrative
Helaman 13:5	four hundred years <i>passeth</i>	T	T	T	T	T	... not away save the sword of justice falleth upon this people ... and nothing can save this people save it be repentance and faith on the Lord Jesus Christ
Helaman 13:9	four hundred years <i>shall ... pass</i>	T	T	T	T	T	thus said the Lord ... not ... away before I will cause that [the Nephites] shall be smitten
Helaman 14:2	five years more <i>cometh</i>	T	T	T	T	T	and behold, then cometh the Son of God to redeem all those who shall believe on his name
3 Nephi preface	<i>in</i> the first year of the reign of Zedekiah the king of Judah	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Lehi, which came out of Jerusalem ...
3 Nephi 2:13	this thirteenth year <i>had passed</i>	R	~	~	~	~	before ... away, the Nephites were threatened with utter destruction because of this war
3 Nephi 4:4	<i>of</i> seven years	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	the Nephites being in one body and having so great a number and having reserved for themselves provisions ... that they might subsist for the space ...
3 Nephi 4:15	this nineteenth year <i>did pass</i>	R	~	~	~	~	... away and the robbers did not come again to battle
3 Nephi 5:8	<i>of</i> twenty and five years	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	this book cannot contain even a hundredth part of what was done among so many people in the space ...
3 Nephi 6:17	<i>of</i> this the thirtieth year	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	in the commencement ... they were in a state of awful wickedness
3 Nephi 7:8	six years <i>had ... passed ... since</i> the more part of the people had turned from their righteousness	T	T	T	T	T	thus ... not ... away ...
3 Nephi 10:18	<i>of</i> the thirty and fourth year	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	in the ending ... behold ... soon after the ascension of Christ into heaven he did truly manifest himself unto them, shewing his body unto them and ministering unto them

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3 Nephi 28:3	<i>are</i> seventy and two years old	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	after that ye ... ye shall come unto me in my kingdom, and with me ye shall find rest
4 Nephi 1:20	<i>kept ...</i> eighty and four years	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	Amos kept [the record] ... upon the plates of Nephi also; and he ... it ...
4 Nephi 1:24	<i>in</i> this two hundred and first year	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	... there began to be among them those which were lifted up in pride ... [a]nd from that time forth they did have their goods and their substance no more common among them
4 Nephi 1:48	<i>until</i> the three hundred and twentieth year from the coming of Christ	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	Ammaron being constrained by the Holy Ghost did hide up ... all the sacred records which had been handed down ... even ...
Mormon 1:3	<i>are</i> about twenty and four years old	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>T</i>	when ye ... I would that ye should remember the things that ye have observed concerning this people; and ... engrave upon the plates of Nephi all the things that ye have observed
Mormon 1:12	<i>of</i> about four years	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	peace did remain for the space ... that there were no bloodshed
Mormon 3:4	this tenth year <i>had passed</i>	<i>R</i>	~	~	~	~	after ... the king of the Lamanites sent an epistle unto me ... that they were preparing to come again to battle against us
Mormon 4:16	<i>until</i> the three hundred and seventy and fifth year	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	<i>Q</i>	the Lamanites did not come again against the Nephites

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