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[1; 4; 5; 6; 8; 9; 11].

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[1; 2; 3; 4; 6].

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ten::toe, . der Finger, . five:: finger,

. fiver « », « », sixer « », eight to
fiver « », brace, yoke, span, couple,
pair « », « ».

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There were five chairs in the room; they were five; from six to seven;

« » (). « »

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 . : Mr. Mayherne looked at him for **a moment or two**
 in silence (A. Christie). She was plump and dark and looked **about sixteen** (E. Hemingway).
 I am **going on** 30 years (W. Faulkner). I have been to Paris **hundred times** and it never
 fails to give me a thrill of excitement (S. Maugham). Norman and I spent **about five**
minutes cursing out our forced inactivity (A. Christie). I'll **soon** be **sixty**, he went on (Th.
 Dreiser). Mrs. Harter sat very still **for a minute or two** (A. Christie). I don't expect her
 back **under ten days** (Th. Dreiser). The following morning **a little after ten o'clock**
 Berenice telephoned Coperwood and they agreed to meet at her club for a talk (Th.
 Dreiser);
 (. . .);
 (. . .),
 (. . .) [10].

(. . .)
 nine winks – forty winks «
 »),
 (. . . . two heads are better than one; four eyes see more than two),
 (. . . thousand
 pardons; one to thousand),
 – (. . .
 two dogs over one bone, as cross as two sticks) [12].

once, only, fourth, alone, to ten,
 hundreds of them, twins.
 (. . .)
 (-ce, -th, -(e)s) once, fourth, twenties
 . two-piece, four cornered, three strong group people.

[11; 12; 13].

PARADIGMATIC AND SYNTAGMATIC ASPECTS
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