She explains how IT is changing society

She gives an explanation how IT is changing society. [straightforward (simplistic?) description] She gives an explanation as to how IT is changing society. [with some indication of reasons behind] She gives an explanation of how IT is changing society.

- 1. He has made several suggestions as to how to improve the situation.
- 2. He has made several suggestions how to improve the situation.
- 3. He has made several suggestions for how to improve the situation/ for how the situation might be improved/ for improving the situation.

as to is a form of hedge intended to downplay the "scope" of his proposals. [possibly among other things, leaving open other suggestions]. In such contexts, as to (and on) are commonly used to mean concerning, relating to, regarding: "suggestions on how to"

Thus 1. could imply his proposals related to the general subject of improvements. Feasibly some of the proposals concerned, for example, dealing with possible side-effects.

The second implies all his proposals were specifically intended to produce improvements.

*as to how* - "to what extent how", "how to an extent", "in what manner how" rather than directly "how"

Based on: https://english.stackexchange.com/questions/91412/suggestions-as-to-how-to-vs-suggestions-how-to

Upon identifying the presence of objective elements specified in these Guidelines the resolution authority should ask the competent authority to provide an explanation as to how the circumstances identified by the resolution authority have been reflected in the overall SREP\* assessment of the institution.

Upon identifying the presence of objective elements specified in Section 3 of Title II of these Guidelines the resolution authority should ask the competent authority to provide relevant information and an explanation how the circumstances identified by the resolution authority have been reflected in the overall SREP assessment of the institution.

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\* SREP = supervisory review and evaluation process

If the non-naturalist is a Platonist about some things but not others, then we get all the problems of thorough-going Platonism with the additional one that we have to give an explanation of why some of these candidates for bruteness are brute, and why some are not (and an explanation as to how they are reducible to facts about natural states).

We already have addressed how Tye, Lycan, and Dretske presuppose that we can and do form concepts, but I argued that they do not provide an explanation how that happens.

Provide an explanation how projects will be managed by the firm. [straightforward description] Provide an explanation as to how billable hours are determined. [more involved description, probably with reasons]

If X, Y, and Z doesn't fit with that, they would then come up with an explanation how X, Y, and Z fit just fine with their belief system. ..... Dr. Wicks' testimony would have offered an explanation as to how an otherwise normal man could believe that these financial instruments were valid and reject all evidence to the contrary.

He explained as to how, in the self developing human society, money transformed into capital. He explained how these mercenary forces were hired or their services.

More importantly, he explained how he assisted both slow and advanced learners with differing and varied activities.

For example, his use of modelling sunsets in Big Idea B with milk and water was not well explained as to how it modelled red sunsets.

It still must be explained as to how these many diverse elements became aggregated in the same area and then properly assembled themselves.

No one has ever satisfactorily explained how the widely distributed ingredients linked up into proteins.

She also explained how to build positive working relationships with all the major stakeholders involved in the process.

It was explained as to how the port is committed in meeting the needs and expectations of its customers and the nation by equipping itself with state-of-the-art equipment and technology.

From a random selection using Google search for "as to how" versus "how":

## **Count nouns (with article)**

Put an emphasis on, Give an emphasis to
Put a stress on the final syllable
Place an importance on
Give a description of
Give a demonstration that
Express a doubt concerning
Raise a concern about

*Each of the above singles out an emphasis, stress, etc. among other possible ones.* 

## Mass nouns (qualities etc.)

Put (some, much, great) emphasis on, Give emphasis to Put stress on Place (little, much etc.) importance on Give (greater) descriptiveness to Express (grave) doubt that Cast doubt on Raise (severe) concern Find (some, great) potential as