The Dying Art of the Hyphen: Practice

Find the hyphenated words in paragraphs 4 and 5 of “Just Walk on By” (p. 212). Why are these hyphenated?

Find places in these sentences where a hyphen could appropriately be added. Which ones will be clearer with the hyphen added?

1. This movie isn't just another feel good football movie.
2. It also consisted of many different types of attention getters, for all different types of movie goers.
3. It is the story of a 35 year old man who attends open try outs for the Philadelphia Eagles and makes the team.
4. He is a very good looking man.
5. Electric shock therapy was once a common treatment for mental illness.
6. The still smoking gun gave the culprit away.
7. The cast of this movie are all well known actors.
8. Even a friendly looking dog may be dangerous.
9. He had a take no prisoners attitude that put everyone on edge.
10. The torture memo controversy was a cloud over the last year of Bush’s presidency.
11. The high school girls were having a great time.
12. The Packers-Vikings game was a real let down.