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**SENTENCE PROBLEMS REVIEW**

**Sentence Fragment:** A group of words acting as a complete sentence

**Phrases**

*On my way back home last night.*

*Trying to make a good first impression.*

**Dependent Clauses**

*Since I had moved to this town in the early nineties.*

*While I was running to catch the last train.*

**Fixing Sentence Fragments**

1. Turn the fragment into its own sentence by adding a subject and verb.
2. Attach the fragment to a nearby independent clause.

**Run-on Sentence:** Independent clauses that have not been joined correctly

**Fused Sentence:** Independent clauses joined without a conjunction or punctuation

*I needed to read that book I borrowed it from a close friend.*

*Jon just bought a new car it runs like a dream.*

**Comma Splice:** Independent clauses joined with a comma instead of a semicolon

*We have never been to the coast, I liked the sound of the waves.*

*Mary went to the store, however, she forgot to take her wallet.*

**Fixing Run-on Sentences**

1. Use a comma and a coordinating conjunction.
2. Use a semicolon.
3. Make the clauses separate sentences.
4. Restructure one clause as a dependent clause.