

Answer Key for Fragments/Run-ons/Comma Splices Worksheet

1. While keeping pets is fun, it is also a big responsibility.
2. Pets can cause problems by jumping up and down and scratching furniture.
3. The field trip to the zoo has been cancelled because all of the children are sick today.
4. Ms. Webster, our English teacher, was very cool by allowing the paper to be handed in late.
5. We had a feast for dinner after the roast was cooked. **OR** After the roast was cooked, we had a feast.
6. The choir sang Christmas carols the entire evening.
7. Jackie enjoys baking and eating desserts, especially chocolate cake.
8. We could not finish rehearsing since we were completely out of time. **OR** Since we were completely out of time, we could not finish rehearsing.
9. Having won the championship, the team went out for pizza to celebrate.
10. We aced the test because we studied all night. **OR** Because we studied all night, we aced the test.

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Identify whether the following sentences are run-ons or comma splices. Rewrite each sentence to correct the problem.

1. R/O Baked Alaska is scrumptious; it is, however, quite fattening. **OR** Baked Alaska is scrumptious. It is, however, quite fattening.
2. R/O Dogs are great pets to have; for example, they are good companions, and they protect homes. **OR** Dogs are great pets to have. For example, they are good companions, and they protect homes.
3. CS Amy and I quickly ate at the sandwich shop on campus. We hurried to class afterward. **OR** Amy and I quickly ate at the sandwich shop on campus, and we hurried to class afterward.
4. R/O On my first trip camping, I was afraid of seeing snakes. My friends never told me about the bears until I walked onto the path of one.
5. CS I called John because he didn't know rehearsal had been cancelled.
6. R/O The Statue of Liberty was a gift from the French people. They contributed the funds for its construction in Paris.
7. CS One of the world's richest concentrations of dinosaur footprints is found on the South Korean coast. They are embedded in petrified mud.
8. CS There's a berserk gorilla at the front door, so don't let him in. **OR** There's a berserk gorilla at the front door. Don't let him in.
9. R/O The best teas in the world are grown on the slopes of the Himalayas. They have a deep, rich flavor.
10. CS Tornadoes consist of winds with speeds of thirty to forty miles an hour. Some have speeds even higher, and they cause the most deaths.