

A sentence is a group of words that expresses a complete thought. A **sentence fragment** is a group of words that does not express a complete thought.

sentence fragment

Whenever the students are outside.

Thinking Question

Does this group of words tell whom or what and also what is or what happens?

1–6. Write whether the group of words is a **sentence** or a **sentence fragment**. (1 point each)

1. The school held a cleanup day. **sentence**
2. Bottles, pencils, wrappers, and other trash. **sentence fragment**
3. Whoever picks up the most garbage. **sentence fragment**
4. There will be prizes for the students. **sentence**
5. Students need to keep the schoolyard clean. **sentence**
6. The overflowing garbage barrels. **sentence fragment**

7–10. Read the sentence fragments below. Write whether the sentence fragment needs a subject or a predicate in order to be a complete sentence. (1 point each)

7. trash like bottles, paper, and cans **predicate**
8. recycling these materials here **subject**
9. picked up garbage on the beach on Saturday **subject**
10. students from Mr. Martinez's class **predicate**