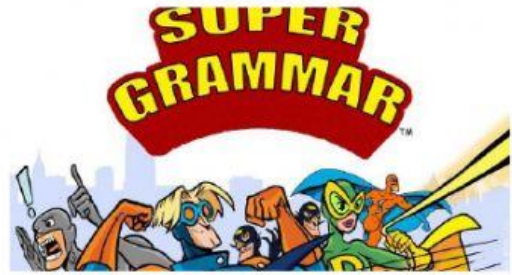


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Grammar Practice

Run-On Sentences



Run-on sentences occur when two or more independent clauses are not joined together properly. There are ways of correcting run-on sentences.

- Separate the two sentences using a period
- Connect the two ideas with a semi colon
- Use a conjunction

Read each run-on sentence. Choose the sentence that correctly punctuates the run-on.

1. Mary wants to visit her grandparents she hasn't seen them in two years.

- A. Mary wants to visit her grandparents, she hasn't seen them in two years.
- B. Mary wants to visit her grandparents so she hasn't seen them in two years.
- C. Mary wants to visit her grandparents; she hasn't seen them in two years.
- D. Mary wants to visit her grandparents; and she hasn't seen them in two years.

2. Larry needs to find his new saw it was very expensive.

- A. Larry needs to find his new saw. It was very expensive.
- B. Larry needs to find his new saw, it was very expensive.
- C. Larry needs to find his new saw; and it was very expensive.
- D. Larry needs to find his new saw, therefore it was very expensive.

3. Mildew ruined our outdoor furniture, therefore we had to buy another set

- A. Mildew ruined our outdoor furniture, therefore, we had to buy another set.
- B. Mildew ruined our outdoor furniture; therefore, we had to buy another set.
- C. Mildew ruined our outdoor furniture, therefore we had to buy another set.
- D. Mildew ruined our outdoor furniture therefore we had to buy another set.

4. It is easy to multiply by 10 you just add a 0 to the number.

- A. It is easy to multiply by 10, you just add a 0 to the number.
- B. It is easy to multiply by 10 so, you just add a 0 to the number.
- C. It is easy to multiply by 10; and you just add a 0 to the number.
- D. It is easy to multiply by 10; you just add a 0 to the number.

5. Baseball is popular in Puerto Rico many famous players are from there.

- A. Baseball is popular in Puerto Rico, many famous players are from there.
- B. Baseball is popular in Puerto Rico, therefore many famous players are from there.
- C. Baseball is popular in Puerto Rico, therefore; many famous players are from there.
- D. Baseball is popular in Puerto Rico; therefore, many famous players are from there.