Compound Sentences

Exercises:

A. Add another independent clause to the following independent clauses to form compound sentences. Be sure to write a complete sentence containing subject and verb, and add punctuation.

Example:

The college campus is located in the center of the city, so it is very easy to do my shopping.

and 1. Students can attend day classes _____

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or 2. Students can live in dormitories _____

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but 3. I have finished my math homework _____

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yet 4. I have studied English for six years _____

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for 5. My adviser suggested a word processing class _____

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nor 6. Some students do not like to write term papers _____

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yet 7. The instructor gave us eight weeks to write our term papers _____

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nor 8. Most students had not even chosen a topic _____

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for 9. The instructor was very upset _____

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so 10. My roommate scored very high on the English placement test _____

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B. For each pair of sentences below, choose a coordinator that best fits the meaning, and join the two independent clauses to form a compound sentence. Use each FAN BOYS coordinator once. Write your new sentences on a separate sheet of paper, and punctuate them correctly.

Example:

Nuclear accidents can happen. Nuclear power plants must have strict safety controls.

Nuclear accidents can happen, so Nuclear power plants must have strict safety controls.

1. The accident at the nuclear power plant at Three Mile Island in the United States created fears about the safety of this energy source. The disaster at Chernobyl in the former Soviet Union confirmed them.

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2. Solar heating systems are economical to operate. The cost of installation is very high.

3. Energy needs are not going to decrease. Energy sources are not going to increase. (Use *nor* and question word order in the second clause, deleting the word *not*.)

4. Burning fossil fuels causes serious damage to our planet. We need to develop other sources of energy.

5. Ecologists know that burning fossil fuels causes holes in the ozone layer. People continue to do it.

6. Poorer nations especially will continue this harmful practice. They don't have the money to develop "clean" energy sources.

7. All nations of the world must take action. Our children and grandchildren will suffer the consequences.

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