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Connect to Writing

The Harvest BirdsGrammar:
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You can combine short, choppy sentences to make your writing smoother. You can combine sentences by **joining single words in a series**. You use commas to separate the nouns or verbs in a series. Remember to add *and* after the last comma.

Short, Choppy Sentences	Longer, Smoother Sentence
Carla watched crows. Carla watched gulls. Carla watched pigeons.	Carla watched crows, gulls, and pigeons.

Combine three short, choppy sentences by joining nouns or verbs in a series. Write the new sentence on the line.

1.

The crows in the story walked.	The crows in the story laughed.	The crows in the story talked.
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2.

Carla told Ramon about the crows.	Carla told Ed about the crows.	Carla told Lisa about the crows.
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3.

The crows perched on branches.	The crows perched on wires.	The crows perched on rooftops.
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4.

Ramon played with the birds.	Ramon laughed with the birds.	Ramon sang with the birds.
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