HOW THE WORLD WORKS

# BUILDING STRONG SENTENCES

## for Opinion Writing

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Grade 4 Homework

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## The Key Ideas

CCSS L.4.1f: Produce complete sentences, recognising and correcting fragments and run-ons.

### Complete Sentence

A complete thought with a subject and a verb.

**Example:** Renewable energy helps reduce pollution.

### Fragment

An incomplete thought. It is missing a subject or a verb.

**Example:** Because it is cleaner.

### Run-on Sentence

Two complete thoughts joined without the correct punctuation.

**Example:** Solar power is growing it is a clean source of energy.

## 1 Complete, Fragment or Run-on?

Read each sentence and choose the correct type.

**1** Renewable energy creates less pollution.
☐ Complete ☐ Fragment ☐ Run-on

**2** Because it is a cleaner source.
☐ Complete ☐ Fragment ☐ Run-on

**3** Factories produce power they can also harm the environment.
☐ Complete ☐ Fragment ☐ Run-on

**4** Nuclear energy is powerful and reliable.
☐ Complete ☐ Fragment ☐ Run-on

**5** Can help reduce waste.
☐ Complete ☐ Fragment ☐ Run-on

**6** We should save energy it protects our planet.
☐ Complete ☐ Fragment ☐ Run-on

## 2 Choose the Correct Sentence

Which sentence is written correctly? Tick (✓) one box.

**7**
☐ Solar energy is a clean, renewable source.
☐ Solar energy is a clean it is renewable source.

**8**
☐ Factories used coal and it created pollution.
☐ Factories used coal, which created pollution.

**9**
☐ Nuclear power is a powerful energy source.
☐ Nuclear power is a powerful, energy source.

**10**
☐ Wind power can be used, it does not run out.
☐ Wind power can be used because it does not run out.

**11**
☐ People can save energy it helps the planet.
☐ People can save energy, and it helps the planet.

**12**
☐ The Industrial Revolution changed the world.
☐ The Industrial Revolution changed, the world.

## 3 Improve the Sentence

Choose the sentence that fixes the grammar mistake while keeping the original meaning.

**13** Because fossil fuels are non-renewable.
☐ Fossil fuels are non-renewable.
☐ We should reduce our use of fossil fuels because they are non-renewable.

**14** Renewable energy is important it can reduce pollution.
☐ Renewable energy is important.
☐ Renewable energy is important because it can reduce pollution.

**15** Nuclear energy is powerful it also has risks.
☐ Nuclear energy is powerful, but it also has risks.
☐ Nuclear energy is powerful it also has risks.

**16** To protect the environment.
☐ We should protect the environment.
☐ Because we should protect the environment.

**17** Solar panels can produce clean energy they reduce pollution.
☐ Solar panels can produce clean energy.
☐ Solar panels can produce clean energy, and they reduce pollution.

**18** The world needs more clean energy it is better for future generations.
☐ The world needs more clean energy.
☐ The world needs more clean energy because it is better for future generations.

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