

## **Combining Sentences**

Good writers combine sentences to make their writing better. They combine the important key words and phrases to make short, choppy sentences into longer, smoother sentences.

Examples: The children were at the park. Their parents were at the park.

(The children and their parents were at the park.)

They could play baseball. They could shoot baskets.

(They could play baseball or shoot baskets.)

Combine the two short sentences into a longer sentence.

- 1. It was time to light the grill. It was time to cook the hamburgers. It was time to light the grill and cook the hamburgers.
- 2. Jo Jo helped make the salad. Mother helped make the salad.
- 3. Steven set the table. Steven called the children to eat.



4. Dad roasted marshmallows. Dad made s'mores for us.

Now it's your turn. Write two short sentences about a picnic. Then combine them into a longer sentence.

My two short sentences:

My longer sentence: