Is the phrase a fragment, sentence, or run-on? Fix the fragments and run-ons.

1. Because we lost the game. **The team was upset because we lost the game.**
2. The dog chased the three cats. ________________________________________
3. My parents help me. ________________________________________________
4. We bought the new chair with our credit card. _________________________
5. She taught the lesson she gave a test. _________________________________
6. He wants to go to school he wants to get a job. _________________________
7. While he was reading the book. _______________________________________
8. I failed the test I didn’t study. _______________________________________
9. The salesman wearing the red tie. _____________________________________
10. The play was long we didn’t stay until the end. _________________________

A **sentence** forms a complete thought.
A **fragment** does not form a complete thought.
A **run-on sentence** is where two complete thoughts are stated without correct punctuation.
Answers
Answers may vary.

**Fragment** 1. Because we lost the game.  
*The team was upset because we lost the game.*

**Sentence** 2. The dog chased the three cats.

**Sentence** 3. My parents help me.

**Sentence** 4. We bought the new chair with our credit card.

**Run-on** 5. She taught the lesson she gave a test.  
*She taught the lesson, and she gave a test.*

**Run-on** 6. He wants to go to school or he wants to get a job.  
*He wants to go to school, or he wants to get a job.*

**Fragment** 7. While he was reading the book.  
*While he was reading the book, he listened to music.*

**Run-on** 8. I failed the test I didn’t study.  
*I failed the test, because I didn’t study.*

**Fragment** 9. The salesman wearing the red tie.  
*The salesman wearing the red tie was very helpful.*

**Run-on** 10. The play was long we didn’t stay until the end.  
*The play was long, so we didn’t stay until the end.*