

Comma splices

Grade 5 Sentences Worksheet

Rewrite these sentences fixing the comma splices.

1. The inspector has many questions, he will be asking them soon.

2. My dad will bring home some potatoes, my mom will cook them for dinner.

3. I heard him singing, I saw him coming around the corner.

4. Those drums are loud, I can hear them through the walls.

5. She likes tea, she rarely drinks it on the weekends.

6. The boys were fighting, no one was hurt.

7. The adorable little puppy played in the mud, he needs a bath.

8. You can go, I don't want to go with you.

A **comma splice** is the use of a comma without a conjunction to join two independent clauses.

Fix comma splices by:

1. adding a conjunction
2. separating the clauses with a period, or
3. using a semi-colon “;”



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Answers

Answers may vary.

1. The inspector has many questions, he will be asking them soon.
The inspector has many questions; he will be asking them soon.
2. My dad will bring home some potatoes, my mom will cook them for dinner.
My dad will bring home some potatoes, **and** my mom will cook them for dinner.
3. I heard him singing, I saw him coming around the corner.
I heard him singing **before** I saw him coming around the corner.
4. Those drums are loud, I can hear them through the walls.
Those drums are loud. I can hear them through the walls.
5. She likes tea, she rarely drinks it on the weekends.
She likes tea, **yet** she rarely drinks it on the weekends.
6. The boys were fighting, no one was hurt.
The boys were fighting; no one was hurt.
7. The adorable little puppy played in the mud, he needs a bath.
The adorable little puppy played in the mud, **and** he needs a bath.
8. You can go, I don't want to go with you.
You can go. I don't want to go with you.