Sentence Detective

Grammar and Usage

Instructions:

Read each statement and determine if it is a complete sentence, a run-on, or a fragment. Circle the letter on the right that corresponds to your answer. If the statement is a run-on or a fragment, rewrite it on the line below. Then transfer the letter you circled to the matching-number line at the bottom of the page to solve the riddle!

Helpful Hint:

A <u>fragment</u> is not a complete sentence because it is missing a subject or predicate.

Examples:

Want to play outside after lunch. When I went to camp.

A <u>run-on</u> is more than one sentence combined into one.

Examples:

John wants to play football, he is going to try out for the team next year.

The food smells delicious, what is it?

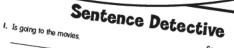
A <u>complete sentence</u> has a subject, a predicate, and all the correct punctuation.

Examples:

My brother stayed home while I went to the park.

Eddie wanted to go to the movies, but

Elizabeth did not.



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If you finish your dinner.

Because he was trying hard to win the game!

My favorite food is pizza, it is delicious.

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ANSWER:

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2.	On rainy days, I like to curl up on the couch and read.	U	0	E	
3.	Jennifer and Erin ran all the way to school, they got very tired.	F	N	D	
4.	Morgan liked the blue jacket the best.	С		Р	
5.	After taking the dog for a walk, Josh ate breakfast.	Н	W	S	
6.	Kristin likes to hike, but Jared does not, he likes running instead.	T	D	U	
7.	If you finish your dinner.	K	R	I	
8.	Because he was trying hard to win the game!	В	G	N	
۹.	My favorite food is pizza, it is delicious.	J	N	V	
10.	When I'm ready to play.	Y	0	E	
II.	It's a beautiful day, the sky is blue and the sun is shining.	S	R	T	

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Answer Key

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ı.	Is going to the movies.	Complete		Fragment
	Peter is going to the movies.	Α	M	
2.	On rainy days, I like to curl up on the couch and read.	U	0	E
3.	Jennifer and Erin ran all the way to school, they got very tired. Jennifer and Erin ran all the way to school. They were very tired.	F	N	D
4.	Morgan liked the blue jacket the best.	©	I	P
5.	After taking the dog for a walk, Josh ate breakfast.	(H)	W	S
6.	Kristin likes to hike, but Jared does not, he likes running instead. Kristin likes to hike, but Jared does not. He likes running instead	T	D	U
7.	If you finish your dinner, you can have dessert.	K	R	I
8.	Because he was trying hard to win the game! He was trying hard to win the game!	В	G	N
٩.	My favorite food is pizza, it is delicious. My favorite food is pizza. It is delicious.	J	N	V
10	.When I'm ready to play. When I'm ready to play, I'll call you.	Y	0	E
II.	It's a beautiful day, the sky is blue and the sun is shining. It's a beautiful day. The sky is blue, and the sun is shining.	S	(R)	T

RIDDLE: What two things can you never eat for breakfast?

ANSWER: $\frac{1}{1}$ $\frac{\upsilon}{2}$ $\frac{n}{3}$ $\frac{c}{4}$ $\frac{h}{5}$ and $\frac{d}{6}$ $\frac{i}{7}$ $\frac{n}{8}$ $\frac{n}{9}$ $\frac{e}{10}$ $\frac{r}{11}$!