

RUN-ON SENTENCES ANSWER KEY

Correct each run-on sentence with (1) a period and a capital letter, (2) a comma and a joining word, or (3) a semicolon. Do not use the same method of correction for each sentence.

ANSWERS WILL VARY.

1. Fast people and fast cars can be lots of fun, **but** they can also be very dangerous.
2. She occasionally likes watching a movie; she prefers watching a game show.
3. No one touched the bananas. **T**arantulas lurked in every bunch.
4. Gail does yoga exercises every morning, **and** she strongly believes in a healthy body.
5. She had forgotten to fill her gas tank. **S**he only realized this about midnight when most of the stations are closed.
6. I ate my Whopper and fries too fast. **A**s a result, I now have a mild case of indigestion.
7. Silence roared in his ears; he waited for his father to arrive.
8. I forced myself to eat the carrots, **for** my mother said they would help my eyesight.
9. Bill had a bad headache yesterday; moreover, his ulcer was bothering him.
10. My uncle has lost a lot of weight this year. **E**very two weeks he has to tighten his belt another notch.
11. I couldn't get a definite answer from Jill, **so** I decided not to count on her.
12. Jim tore the cellophane off the cake, **and** the icing came with it.
13. The wind pushed me as I crossed the open field. I thought that I would be swept into the adjoining pond like a piece of paper.
14. The carpenter said he would come at 8:00. **H**e didn't arrive until 11:45.
15. Thunder doesn't scare my wife, **but** she always sits in the hall closet.