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English 9B

### Common Sentence Problems #2

The sentences in the paragraph below have a lot of problems. In the blanks provided, rewrite the sentence so that the problem is fixed. If there is no problem, write “no problem.”

Problem	Definition	Example	Solution
Sentence Fragment	A subject without a verb A verb without a subject  A dependent clause	My favorite movie ever. Ran all the way home after school After he stopped crying.	Add a verb Add a subject combine with an independent clause
Run-on	Two independent clauses with nothing in between	John works hard in school he gets all A's.	Add a period between the clauses Add a semi-colon between the clauses Add a comma and a coordinating conjunction between the clauses
Comma splice	Two independent clauses with a comma in between	Mary is a good basketball player, I think she should be on varsity.	Replace the comma with a period Replace the comma with a semi-colon Add a coordinating conjunction after the comma

(1) Troy tries very hard to take care of his family. (2) Cory and Rose. (3) He has had a hard life he wants to protect his family from suffering in a similar way. (4) Unfortunately, this makes things worse, Cory ends up resenting his need to control things. (5) Rose also finds it hard to live with him she puts up with the pain anyway. (6) Even Lyons feels the pressure to live up to him. (7) The stress built up on Troy, too, and he ends up having an affair. (8) Albert, who all the guys liked. (9) Rose never forgave him for that, she could deal with the rest of it, but that was too much. (10) Troy ends up sad and alone.

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