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SENTENCE FRAGMENTS

SENTENCE FRAGMENTS ARE INCOMPLETE SENTENCES THAT HAVE BEEN PUNCTUATED AS IF THEY WERE COMPLETE THOUGHTS. COMPLETE SENTENCES MUST CONTAIN A SUBJECT AND A VERB, AND MUST EXPRESS AN IDEA THAT CAN STAND ON ITS OWN.

*Example 1: According to Mrs. Owens, students are learning in this class.
This is a complete sentence.*

*Example 2: Dr. Thomas, who is the greatest math instructor.
This is a sentence fragment, because it does not contain a complete thought.*

READ EACH OF THE FOLLOWING. WRITE CS FOR COMPLETE SENTENCE AND SF FOR A SENTENCE FRAGMENT.

1. _____ Jerry, after running to the mailbox.
2. _____ Failed to close properly.
3. _____ We were extremely interested in the movie.
4. _____ Perfectly satisfied with our test grades.
5. _____ When we ran out of pizza.
6. _____ The research about poodles.
7. _____ We waited patiently for our scores.
8. _____ Exhausted after the long trip.
9. _____ It was a difficult time for all of us.
10. _____ Preparing a healthy meal.