

10th Grade Grammar – Final Review

Part One: Complete Sentences

RULE: Complete sentences must have a subject (noun) and a verb (action). They are complete thoughts on their own.

- Complete: Jenny hates English class.
- Not Complete / Fragment: In the morning.

Practice: Select and label which are complete and which are fragments.

- _____ Oscar is the worst tennis player.
- _____ He tries his hardest but always loses.
- _____ Even with effort.
- _____ He hired a coach to give him private lessons.
- _____ The coach for the high school team.

Part Two: Combining Sentences

RULE: Complete sentences that have a subject (noun) and a verb (action) can only be combined with a semicolon, a colon or comma / conjunction (and, but, or, for, nor, yet, so). They can be separated with a period. They cannot be put together with a comma alone or nothing.

- Correct: Bill is the best; he paid for my ticket to Eliches.
- Correct: My sister wants to go, but she is too young.
- Incorrect: My uncle is crazy, he has eight dogs.

Practice: Select and label which are correct and which are incorrect.

- _____ Blaine is a freshman; he is absolutely clueless.
- _____ His best friend Mark got a ticket for speeding he was going 75 in a 30.
- _____ The boy might lose his license, but he doesn't seem to care.
- _____ His parents are pretty upset he is grounded for two weeks.
- _____ They took away his phone, and he can't call anyone.