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Run-On Sentences/Comma Splices
Methods of Correction

There are 5 ways to correct run-on sentences and comma splices:

1. Use two separate sentences.

EXAMPLE: The sun is very bright. I will have to wear sunglasses.

2. Use a comma and a coordinating conjunction.

and	for	or	yet
but	nor	so	

EXAMPLE: The sun is very bright, so I will have to wear sunglasses.

3. Use a subordinating conjunction. Put a comma between the clauses if you put the subordinating conjunction at the beginning of the sentence.

after	because	in order that	until	whereas
although	before	since	when	while
as	even though	though	whenever	
as if	if	unless	where	

EXAMPLE: Because the sun is very bright, I will have to wear sunglasses.

EXAMPLE: I will have to wear sunglasses because the sun is very bright.

4. Use a semicolon.

EXAMPLE: The sun is very bright; I will have to wear sunglasses.

5. Use a semicolon, a conjunctive adverb, and a comma.

accordingly	hence	instead	nevertheless	similarly
also	however	likewise	nonetheless	that is
besides	in addition	meanwhile	on the contrary	then
consequently	indeed	moreover	on the other hand	therefore
for example	in fact	namely	otherwise	thus
furthermore				

EXAMPLE: The sun is very bright; therefore, I will have to wear sunglasses.