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PRACTICE EXERCISE 1: Re-write as needed to make the following fragment into complete sentences; if the item is already a complete sentence, place a "C" in the left margin.

1. If he comes to California to see the sights.

2. Seth, who complains constantly about everything.

3. After telling me about the accident.

4. Swimming each morning in her pool.

5. She insists that running is essential to good health.

PRACTICE EXERCISE 2: Read the following paragraph and correct the four sentence fragments by attaching it to a nearby sentence.

The Great Depression began in October 1929. When the stock market in the United States dropped rapidly. Thousands of investors were hit with large tragedies. Loss of jobs, loss of money, and loss of families. The "crash" led us into the Great Depression. The ensuing period ranked as the longest and worst period of high unemployment and low business activity in modern times. Banks, stores, and factories were closed and left millions of Americans jobless, homeless, and penniless. Over time. Many people came to depend on the government or charity to provide them with food. A necessity.

PRACTICE EXERCISE 3: Correct the following fragments based on our discussion. Place a "C" next to any item that contains no fragment.

1. For the purpose of being prepared. Please bring all of your instruction booklets.
2. I gave a copy of my *US Weekly* to Mr. Andres. Because he likes celebrity gossip.
3. Before the Katy Perry concert even began. Zach was lined up at the door for tickets.
4. By the door of his room. He had left his iPod and his homework.
5. Give me a break; I need a Kit Kat bar.
6. My sister moved back home. Now, I have to share my MacBook with her.
7. Raised in New York City. Lucas was comfortable in the South Beach by himself.
8. I think we will win most of our games this season. Especially if Nick is in top shape.
9. Since she was a great dancer. Britney Spears appeared on the MTV Music Awards.
10. I did most of my homework at the dentist's office. While I waited my turn to see him.
11. Mr. Miller will make a fool of himself. He does not know how to act in public.
12. Before you start yelling at me. Remember I always have excuses for missing curfew.
13. I asked four boys to the Christmas Dance this year. Dallas, Paul, Aaron, and Jordan.
14. This cheese has always been a mystery. Since no one will claim to have dropped it.
15. Craig will serve as a captain on our hockey team. He is a great leader.