

Sentence Fragments

* An incomplete sentence is called a sentence fragment. A fragment lacks either a **subject**, a **predicate**, or does not communicate a **complete thought**. Here are some examples of sentence fragments:

Example: Saw that it was time to leave. → lacks a **subject**

Example: The king and all his men. → lacks a **predicate**

Example: Before we went to soccer practice. → does not communicate a **complete thought**

Directions: Decide whether each group of words is a sentence (S) or a fragment (F).

Example: Don't think I can do it.

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| 1) Daniel can come. | 1) _____ |
| 2) I didn't know that. | 2) _____ |
| 3) Went to the store. | 3) _____ |
| 4) Singing loudly all day long. | 4) _____ |
| 5) Once they get here. | 5) _____ |
| 6) What time will they be here? | 6) _____ |
| 7) Went to the beach and it was fun. | 7) _____ |
| 8) Without increasing his test scores. | 8) _____ |
| 9) A high quality car. | 9) _____ |
| 10) The thunder scared us all. | 10) _____ |
| 11) Annie and her best friend Julia. | 11) _____ |
| 12) I am very tired, but I cannot sleep. | 12) _____ |
| 13) Five slices of pizza. | 13) _____ |
| 14) Until 2:30 in the morning! | 14) _____ |
| 15) While Thomas was making dinner. | 15) _____ |
| 16) Didn't have a care in the world. | 16) _____ |
| 17) All of the guards at the castle. | 17) _____ |
| 18) "Ahhh," she yawned, "I am getting tired." | 18) _____ |
| 19) They were married that afternoon. | 19) _____ |
| 20) Any day they want to come. | 20) _____ |