

Fragments

A fragment is only part of a sentence; it does not express a complete thought. Usually, a fragment leaves the reader “hanging,” wondering exactly what the writer was trying to say.

Directions: For each of the following fragments, write down the question that the fragment leaves you with. A few examples have been done for you. Note: There may be more than one possible question that comes up for some fragments.

Examples:

After he left for school.

What happened (after he left for school)?

Spilled milk on the table.

Who (spilled milk on the table)?

1. When she left her room. _____
2. Although he knew he needed help. _____
3. Since I turned fifteen. _____
4. The black and white cat. _____
5. Racing to the house. _____
6. Unless you bring your lunch. _____
7. Until you call home. _____
8. During the afternoon. _____
9. Because he was older than me. _____
10. Which he brought from home. _____
11. Screaming at the top of her lungs. _____
12. Because of the weather. _____
13. Since my mom was so angry. _____
14. Her final answer. _____
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