



Comma Rules

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 5

Part A: Fix the Sentence

Each sentence has an error. Rewrite it correctly on the line.

1. Fix the sentence: Because the power went out we had to use flashlights during dinner.

Rewrite: _____

2. Fix the sentence: The library was closed so we walked to the bookstore instead.

Rewrite: _____

3. Fix the sentence: When the bell rang everyone rushed out the door to the playground.

Rewrite: _____

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. An introductory clause is a group of words that comes _____ the main part of a sentence.
2. A compound sentence joins two _____ clauses with a comma and a conjunction.
3. Words like "because," "although," and "when" often begin an introductory _____.
4. In the sentence "She ran fast, yet she still missed the bus," the word "yet" is a coordinating _____.

Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. Write a sentence that starts with an introductory clause beginning with "Although." Place the comma correctly.

2. What is the difference between a simple sentence and a compound sentence? How do commas help?

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1. Fix the sentence: *Because the power went out we had to use flashlights during dinner.*

Rewrite: **Because the power went out, we had to use flashlights during dinner.**

2. Fix the sentence: *The library was closed so we walked to the bookstore instead.*

Rewrite: **The library was closed, so we walked to the bookstore instead.**

3. Fix the sentence: *When the bell rang everyone rushed out the door to the playground.*

Rewrite: **When the bell rang, everyone rushed out the door to the playground.**

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. An introductory clause is a group of words that comes **before** the main part of a sentence.
2. A compound sentence joins two **independent** clauses with a comma and a conjunction.
3. Words like "because," "although," and "when" often begin an introductory **clause** .
4. In the sentence "She ran fast, yet she still missed the bus," the word "yet" is a coordinating **conjunction** .

Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. Write a sentence that starts with an introductory clause beginning with "Although." Place the comma correctly.

Although it was snowing outside, we still walked to school that morning.

2. What is the difference between a simple sentence and a compound sentence? How do commas help?

A simple sentence has one independent clause, while a compound sentence has two independent clauses joined by a conjunction. A comma before the conjunction helps the reader see where one idea
