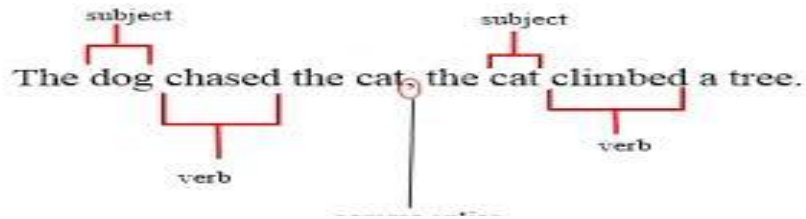# Comma Splice



- A comma splice occurs when two complete sentences are joined by a comma, and there is no conjunction present.

- A complete sentence consists of a subject and a verb.

- Example:



# Run-on Sentence

- Run-on sentence involves two complete sentences merged together without any punctuation.

- Example: You wore a lovely hat it was your only defense.

| Ways to correct comma splice and run-on sentences | Example |
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| 1. Just add one of the **FANBOYS** coordinating conjunctions<br>**F**or<br>**A**nd<br>**N**or<br>**B**ut<br>**O**r<br>**Y**et<br>**S**o | The dog chased the cat, **so** the cat climbed a tree.<br><br>You wore a lovely hat, **for** it was your only defense. |
| 2. Change the comma to a semicolon | The dog chased the cat**;** the cat climbed a tree.<br>You wore a lovely hat**;** it was your only defense. |
| 3. Make each clause a separate sentence | The dog chased the cat**.** The cat climbed a tree.<br>You wore a lovely hat**.** It was your only defense. |
| 4. Add a subordinating conjunction<br>**although    as/as if    once<br>even though  so that    while<br>provided that  because    until<br>after    in order to  when<br>even if    unless    where<br>since    before    why<br>whereas    whether    whereas** | The dog chased the cat **until** the cat climbed a tree.<br><br>You wore a lovely hat **because** it was your only defense. |