

# How to correct run on sentences

AKA fused sentences, comma splices

A run on sentence is two full thoughts that are jammed together without enough punctuation. A full thought means you've completed your idea (with a noun and verb). You could say a full thought by itself to someone, and they wouldn't have to say "huh" because you've completed your idea.

## FULL THOUGHTS

Ice cream is very tasty.

I like it.

Run on or fused sentence: Ice cream is very tasty I like it.

Comma splice: Ice cream is very tasty, I like it. *(The comma is not enough punctuation!)*

**PROBLEM SENTENCE** (The comma is not enough punctuation.)



**ONE WAY TO CORRECT IT:** Start a new sentence.



**ANOTHER WAY TO CORRECT IT:** Add the word **and** or another connector word like **for, so, but, yet, or, nor.**

It needs to be **comma + connector word ( , and, )** both of them together.:



**A THIRD WAY TO CORRECT IT:** Add a semicolon.



These are not the only ways to correct run on sentences, but they are the most common and easy to remember.