



Using connectives

It is bad practice in English to join whole sentences together using commas. This is a common mistake called '**comma splicing**'.

The following sentences have used commas incorrectly. **Re-write each sentence using a conjunction (ie a connective or joining word)**. Only use each conjunction once.

1. The table soon fell apart, the screws that they had used were far too short!

2. The man had stopped shouting, he was still extremely angry.

3. Three long months passed, still there was no sign of rain.

4. My presentation seemed to go well, I was feeling really nervous.

5. Do you want to use the main oven later, can I switch it off now?

6. Sue's daughter had a high temperature, she took her to the doctor.

7. He looks so old and frail, he has been ill.

8. The beacon marks the spot, the ship sank without warning.

9. James turned red with embarrassment, it was his turn to speak.

10. The vet worked on the injured horse, there was little chance of survival.
