

W H O D U N N I T ?

## Sentences Challenge

Correctly identify the complete sentences, fragments and run-ons below to find clues to the mystery in order to determine who is the criminal.

Send your answer sheet to the appropriate teacher.



# Whodunnit? Answer Sheet



Six contestants on a reality TV show were stunned to find their lowest scoring colleague was "injured." They must figure out the crime before the bell rings. The question is *Whodunnit?* And how... The Player, Last Known Whereabouts and Method that are left unaccounted for -- is the solution.

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## Who is the "Criminal"?

(The three boxes left unchecked will reveal the crime. If you cannot figure it out, you may be next.)

### The Players

Mr. Phonics	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mrs. Spell	<input type="checkbox"/>
Miss Vocab	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dr. Grammar	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coach Lit	<input type="checkbox"/>
Professor Essay	<input type="checkbox"/>

### The Last Known Whereabouts

Atrium	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gym	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kitchen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Library	<input type="checkbox"/>
Movie Theater	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>

### The Method

Chemical Poisoning	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cougar Attack	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electrocution	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fallen Object	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stubbed Toe	<input type="checkbox"/>
Venomous Bite	<input type="checkbox"/>

# Clue #1



Which group of words is a fragment?

Run to first base.	<i>Coach Lit was reading by the pool.</i>
The catcher ran toward first base.	<i>The victim was not attacked by a cougar.</i>
Running toward first base.	<i>Mrs. Spell was using a computer in the library.</i>
Is the runner safe on first base?	<i>The victim was not electrocuted.</i>



# Clue #2

Which group of words is a complete sentence?

Tying his shoes on the sideline.	<i>Dr. Grammar was exercising in the gym.</i>
Tie your shoes.	<i>The victim was not attacked by a cougar.</i>
The coach along with the players.	<i>The crime was not done with a fallen object.</i>
To wait for the referee's whistle.	<i>Mrs. Spell was reading email in the library.</i>

# Clue #3

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Which group of words is a run-on?

Will the sprinters and the distance runners compete at the same meet?	<i>The injury was not an electrocution.</i>
The car had been parked the front door was locked.	<i>Miss Vocab was resting in the atrium.</i>
The sprinters will run first; the distance events will follow.	<i>The victim was not attacked by a cougar.</i>
Track and field events begin at 4:30 pm at the high school track.	<i>Coach Lit was exercising in the gym.</i>

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# Clue #4

What is the best description of the following?  
**When the kitchen cabinets were replaced.**

It is a complete sentence joined by a comma.	<i>Coach Lit was practicing a backstroke in the pool.</i>
It is a run-on.	<i>Mrs. Spell was paying bills in the library.</i>
It is a fragment.	<i>The victim was not crushed by a fallen object.</i>
None of the above.	<i>The victim was not attacked by a cougar.</i>

# Clue #5

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What is the best description of the following?

**Jim made himself lunch, Heather posted pictures from their vacation.**

It is a complete sentence joined by a comma.	<i>Mrs. Spell was downloading new software in the atrium.</i>
It is a fragment.	<i>Dr. Grammar was relaxing in chair by the pool.</i>
It is a run-on.	<i>The victim was not poisoned by a chemical.</i>
None of the above.	<i>The victim was not electrocuted.</i>

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# Clue #6

What is the best description of the following?

**I ordered the cleats online, so I expect to receive them soon.**

It is a fragment.	<i>Professor Essay was swimming in the pool.</i>
It is a run-on.	<i>The victim was not chemically poisoned.</i>
It is a complete sentence joined by a comma and conjunction.	<i>Dr. Grammar was playing soccer in the gym.</i>
None of the above.	<i>The criminal did not use a fallen object.</i>

# Clue #7

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What is the best description of the following?  
**During the 2nd Punic War, Rome was threatened when which commander and his army arrived on elephants?**

It is a complete sentence joined by comma.	<i>The injury was not done with chemical poisoning.</i>
It is a run-on.	<i>There was no cougar involved.</i>
It is a fragment.	<i>Professor Essay was eating in the kitchen.</i>
None of the above.	<i>Coach Lit was doing laps in the pool.</i>

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# Clue #8

Which gives the best explanation of a sentence?

It is a group of words that tells something about the subject.	<i>The victim was not attacked by a cougar.</i>
It is a group of words that shows ownership.	<i>Coach Lit was playing a video game in the movie theater.</i>
It is a group of words that has two subjects joined by <i>and</i> , <i>or</i> , <i>nor</i> , or <i>but</i> .	<i>Professor Essay was making a pot roast in the kitchen.</i>
It is a group of words that expresses a complete thought.	<i>The victim did not have a venomous bite.</i>

# Clue #9



What is the best way to correct a run-on?

Join the complete sentences with a conjunction.	<i>The injury was not a stubbed toe.</i>
Make it into two complete sentences.	<i>The victim was not electrocuted.</i>
Join the complete sentences with a comma.	<i>Professor Essay was stocking the pantry in the kitchen.</i>
Attach the words to another complete sentence.	<i>Mr. Phonics was watching <i>The Avengers</i> in the movie theater.</i>



# Clue #10

Which group of words is NOT a complete sentence?

<i>Cassini</i> was allowed to enter Saturn's gravity.	<i>The victim did not stub their toe.</i>
<i>Cassini</i> traveled for seven years, and then it reached Saturn's orbit.	<i>Mr. Phonics was cleaning the oven in the kitchen.</i>
Astronomers watched in awe as <i>Cassini</i> entered the gap between the surface of Saturn and its rings.	<i>The injury was not electrocution.</i>
Because the satellite <i>Cassini</i> had depleted its fuel supply.	<i>Professor Essay was cleaning up popcorn in the movie theater.</i>