

Eliminating Fragments

A fragment is an incomplete sentence or word phrase. A fragment is missing:

- 1) a subject
- 2) a verb
- 3) both a subject and a verb
- 4) a complete thought

A fragment is fixed by:

- 1) adding a subject
- 2) adding a verb or verb phrase
- 3) adding both a subject and verb
- 4) completing a thought by adding an independent clause
- 5) linking the fragment to the sentence that comes before it or after it.

Correct the following fragments. Then go on to correct the fragments in your own essay on a separate piece of paper

1. Kim plays the biggest role in the garden. By being the first one to plant.

2. It was the middle of Cleveland. Where this little girl planted some seeds.

3. Small and hiding behind a refrigerator in a vacant lot wondering if she was being followed.

4. To see the way he talks and expresses himself. I see that he is smart.

5. They work very hard to make each day better. To never give up.

6. Maricela very sad to be pregnant.
