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Unit 1 SENTENCES

Proofreading (Lessons 1–9, pp. 8–43)

Read the paragraphs below. Find the fragments and run-ons and the mistakes in the use of capital letters, commas, and end marks. Including the fragments and run-ons, there are 12 mistakes. Use the proofreading marks to correct the mistakes. Count each fragment or run-on as one mistake.

David lay down on his beach towel [○] the sand felt warm.
How beautiful the ocean looked? ^{^ David ^} Fell asleep after a
^{^ ^} few minutes.

A loud noise woke David up. What was that
flapping sound? ^{^ ^} a large pelican was flying above a palm
tree a few feet away.

When David looked closer at the bird, [^] he saw something brown in
its beak. That brown thing looked familiar. ^{^ David} Got up and walked closer
to the bird. The pelican had David's wallet in its beak!

What was David going to do? [^] He shouted at the pelican, [^] but the
bird swooped away from him. Then David had an idea.

He reached into his knapsack [○] He took out his lunch. It was a
tuna fish sandwich. David gently tossed the sandwich high into the air.

The pelican swooped down. ^{^ The bird} Dropped the wallet and grabbed the
sandwich. David ran over to his wallet. [^] he picked it up. How thankful
he was for the trade [!]

Proofreading Marks

- [^] Add
- [○] Period
- [✓] Take out
- [≡] Capital letter
- [/] Small letter