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## Unit 1 SENTENCES

### Proofreading (Lessons 1–7, pp. 8–35)

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

are you afraid of spiders? Many people are, but they might want to change their minds.

Thousands of different kinds of spiders live all over the world. Only a few of them have dangerous bites. Although these truly scary spiders can hurt us they are actually shy little creatures. Run away from people most of the time.

How unfair those horror movies about spiders are.

Spiders are actually very helpful many hunt insects. Others trap insects in sticky webs. The insects can destroy plants and they can sometimes spread disease. There are fewer of these insects around because of spiders.

Spider webs are useful most people would agree that they are also beautiful. Picture a garden early on a summer morning! After a light rain falls take a look at a spider web. Watch it sparkle in the sun. What a magical sight it is.

Take another look at spiders the next time you go outside. You can fear them or you can respect them. Which point of view will you choose.

#### Proofreading Marks

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