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RUN-ON SENTENCES AND COMMA SPLICES WORKSHEET #1

EXERCISE

In the blanks provided, indicate whether the following sentences are correct (C) or contain a comma splice (CS) or a run-on (R-0).

Example: Red is my favorite color I don't like purple. run-on
Some people know very early in life what they want to do with their life, others never know.
2. One Nobel Prize winner knew by age ten that he wanted to be a scientist.
3. Some people change majors several times before they find a profession they like some know their chosen field right from the start of their college education.
4. Many people choose not to go to college, they prefer to get a job right out of high school
5. Mary, a cousin of mine, is still in college at age fifty she says she doesn't know what she wants to be when she grows up.
6. Allan, a nephew of mine, wants to be a professional student; he already has two master's degrees and a doctorate and is pursuing still another master's
7. In addition, some people spend a lifetime doing something they really aren't happy doing by the time they realize they are in the wrong field, it may be too late to change.
8. Satisfaction with one's chosen career is very important, choosing the right career is not always easy
9. There are computerized career services, as well as other guidance counselors, available for those who need help, it is up to each person to seek help, though
10. One can waste a great deal of valuable time choosing a career by the common trial and error method it would be much wiser for each individual to seek professional help in selecting the right career.
11. On the first day of the tour we visited the Capitol, we spent the second day at the Smithsonian Institute
12. Even though I did not feel very well today, I went to my morning classes I cut my afternoon English class
13. That the sun always rises is a true statement

14. Carole has been in the hospital for more than an week, I hope the doctors will be able to determine what is wrong with her
15. Although the weather is unusually stormy this spring, spring usually is our wettest season
16. Working for sixty hours a week is not unusual for him in fact, some weeks he works more than seventy hours.
17. Kimberly explained her project to us we carefully listened
18. Connor squealed happily as the other children danced around him.