

An **independent clause** is a group of words that contains a subject and a verb and expresses a complete thought. Independent clauses can stand alone as sentences.

Example:

Thomas bought warm clothes. It was fall already.

Thomas bought warm clothes, for it was fall already.

Use a comma and an appropriate conjunction to connect the two independent clauses.

1) Michael didn't like fish. He didn't like chicken.

2) Molly finished her homework.

3) Tears filled her eyes. She smiled.

4) Travis took a walk. He was tired.

5) The teacher worked hard. She was tired.

6) We may roast a turkey. We may bake lasagna.

7) Melanie was sick. She couldn't attend the meeting.

8) Ginny did the laundry. Paula made dinner.

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