

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:

Working out every day is healthy. Consistency is key.

Working out every day is healthy, but consistency is key.

PREVIEW

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

1) Brigitte worked hard. Brigitte wished to succeed in life.

2) Mabel was tired.

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3) Sheila struggled with English. She had no trouble with Spanish.

4) Martin doesn't like to pay.

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5) Students can't go to the library. Students can't go to the library.

6) Janet studied hard. Janet failed the test. She failed.

7) It was Lily's birthday. Mom baked a cake.

8) Martha called the technician. The computer was faulty.

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