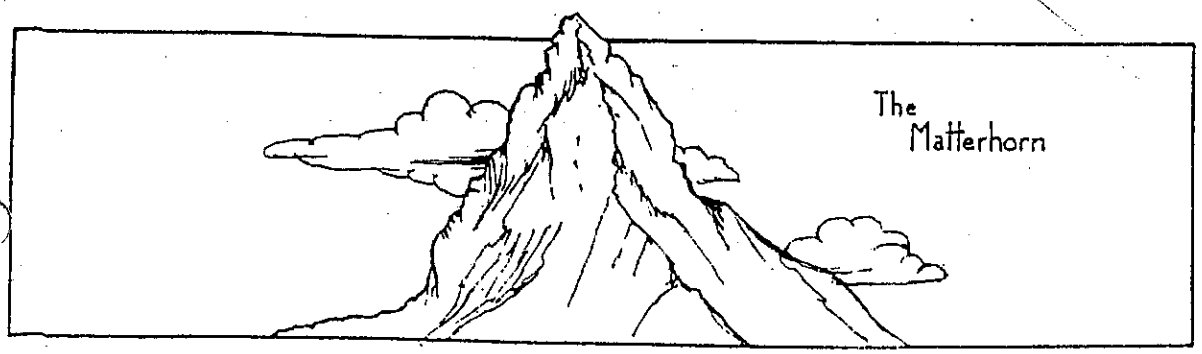
110 Sentence Problems

Run-on Sentences

Some of the items below are sentences. Others are run-ons. On the lines provided, write S for sentences and R for run-ons.

EXAMPLE: The bell rang the boy ran out. ___R___
Dolphins have large brains. ___S___

1. Lofty mountains like the Swiss Matterhorn have always fascinated people. ____
2. During the nineteenth century, climbers tried to conquer this mountain, which rises 5,000 feet above a Swiss valley. ____
3. But the Matterhorn claimed many victims, it was too dangerous for even very skilled mountaineers. ____
4. One climber, an artist named Edward Whymper, tried eight times seven times he failed. ____
5. In 1865, however, Whymper and his party did reach the top. ____
6. Because of accidents, efforts were made to outlaw mountaineering however, Alpine fever spread and the sport continued. ____
7. By 1860 many women had taken up mountain climbing, they loved the challenge. ____
8. The first American woman to climb the Matterhorn was Annie Smith Peck she was forty then, and she climbed mountains until she was eighty-two. ____
9. Experts developed new tools to use on the treacherous slopes of ice, rock, and snow. ____
10. Sometimes, hazardous ice slopes demand teamwork the climbers rope themselves together. ____
11. Then the leader cuts steps in the ice only one climber moves at a time. ____
12. On occasion ropes are rigged to let the climbers swing from one rock to another their walking would mean certain death at those times. ____
13. To climb mountains takes ambition, judgment, excellent physical health, the love of adventure, however, is the main requirement. ____
14. Not all types of people should try to conquer the Matterhorn a more gentle slope might do as well for many people. ____
15. Those who do succeed feel great satisfaction. ____