

Avoiding Run-ons and Comma Splices

Decide whether each item is missing a comma, a conjunction, or both. If it is written correctly, choose *correct*. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. Figure skating is an Olympic sport but it is enjoyed outside of the Olympics, too.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
2. Skaters can skate alone they can skate in pairs.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
3. Skaters are scored by judges who judge several different things.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
4. Judges watch closely and they judge skaters' performances of skating "moves."
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
5. These moves are officially called "elements."
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
6. Some routines have required moves, others let the skater choose.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
7. In individual skating, there are men's and women's routines.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
8. A man and a woman make up the pair in pairs skating.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
9. Skaters perform with music, the choice of music is important.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
10. Precision skating is a new kind of skating it is very exciting.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
11. It is not a part of the Olympics yet someday it might be.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
12. In precision skating, groups of skaters perform at the same time.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
13. Groups of birds make their moves together and it's kind of like that.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
14. The moves are synchronized, which means they happen at the same time.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*
15. You can watch a skating competition on television, you can go skating.
A comma **C** both
B conjunction **D** *correct*