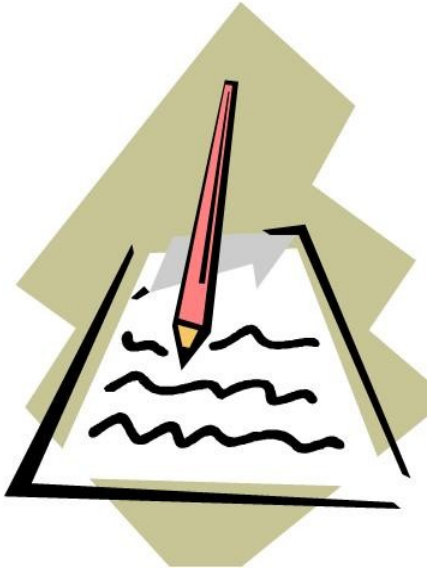


Fragments



A fragment is a word or phrase which stands by itself but which does not make up a complete sentence.

Can England beat Australia? Absolutely!

Fragments are very common in ordinary speech, in advertisements and even newspapers.

They should be used carefully in formal writing. When used, they should be followed by a full stop, a question mark and an exclamation mark, as appropriate.

Will Simon Cowell come back to X Factor? Probably not.