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| **Grammar Masters: Teacher’s Notes**  **Topic: What is a sentence?** |
| A sentence contains information and makes complete sense on its own.  A **clause** is a collection of words that includes a subject and a verb.  Some sentences can be broken up into smaller sentences. These simple sentences are called clauses.  ***She ran down the road*** *but* ***he chose to walk****.*  This sentence is made up of **two** clauses, both of which could work on their own as simple sentences.  You can join clauses together using **conjunctions** to make more interesting sentences that are much easier to read than lots of short sentences.  *Amy took the dog for a walk. It got very dirty.*  *Amy took the dog for a walk* ***and*** *it got very dirty.*  *The dog got very dirty* ***when*** *Amy took it for a walk.* |

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