

EXERCISE G6-3 Run-on sentences Before working this exercise, read section G6 in *A Writer's Reference*, Fifth Edition.

Correct each run-on sentence using the method of revision suggested in brackets. Example:

In his death cell, Joe Hill sent a letter to Big Bill Haywood, ^{with whom} he had worked ~~with Haywood~~ in the early days of the IWW. [*Restructure the sentence*; see G6-d.]

1. Joe Hill's final letter to Big Bill Haywood had only five sentences, it contained one line about his death, one admonition to Haywood, and three comments related to Hill's burial. [*Use a colon*; see G6-b.]
2. He commented briefly about his death he said, "I die like a true rebel." [*Restructure the sentence*; see G6-d.]
3. Hill said, "Don't waste time mourning for me, organize instead." [*Use a semicolon*; see G6-b.]
4. Hill, in prison in Utah, did not want to be buried in that state, he asked Haywood to haul his body into Wyoming, a hundred miles away. [*Use a coordinating conjunction*; see G6-a.]
5. Hill gave only one reason for requesting burial in Wyoming, he said, "I don't want to be found dead in Utah." [*Make two sentences*; see G6-c.]
6. On the night before his execution, he wrote a final poem, in it he made two requests. [*Restructure the sentence*; see G6-d.]
7. He wanted his body to be cremated, he wanted his ashes to be allowed to blow freely around the earth. [*Use a coordinating conjunction*; see G6-a.]
8. Here's how he said it in his poem,
Let the merry breezes blow
My dust to where some flowers grow.
Perhaps some fading flower then
Would come to life and bloom again. [*Use a colon*; see G6-b.]
9. Joe Hill was not a great poet, however, he was clever with rhymes. [*Use a semicolon*; see G6-b.]
10. Even in his will he managed to fit in a humorous rhyme,
This is my last and final will.
Good luck to all of you.
— Joe Hill [*Use a colon*; see G6-b.]