



Don't Get Caught in a Comma Splice!

A comma splice occurs when two independent clauses are connected with only a comma. This is a common error, but luckily there are a few simple ways to get out of a dreaded comma splice.



Ways to Fix a Comma Splice

Comma Splice: My family bakes together nearly every night, we then get to enjoy everything we make together.

Correction 1: My family bakes together nearly every night. We then get to enjoy everything we make together.

The comma splice has been corrected by breaking the sentence into two separate sentences.

Correction 2: My family bakes together nearly every night, and we then get to enjoy everything we make together.

The comma splice has been corrected by adding a coordinating conjunction and a comma.

Correction 3: After my family bakes together nearly every night, we get to enjoy everything we make together.

The comma splice has been corrected by adding a subordinating conjunction and a comma.

Correction 4: My family bakes together nearly every night; we then get to enjoy everything we make together.

The comma splice has been corrected by using a semicolon instead of a comma.

- , **f**or
- , **a**nd
- , **n**or
- , **b**ut
- , **o**r
- , **y**et
- , **s**o

Each of the "FANBOYS" needs a comma in front of it! 