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The Triple Fix Answer Key

Sample Answers

- Version A: The rain poured heavily. We decided to stay indoors.
Version B: The rain poured heavily; we decided to stay indoors.
Version C: The rain poured heavily, so we decided to stay indoors.
- Version A: I finished my homework. It took me two hours.
Version B: I finished my homework; it took me two hours.
Version C: I finished my homework, and it took me two hours.
- Version A: The dog barked loudly. The cat ran under the couch.
Version B: The dog barked loudly; the cat ran under the couch.
Version C: The dog barked loudly, and the cat ran under the couch.
- Version A: Sarah wanted to go shopping. Her friends wanted to see a movie.
Version B: Sarah wanted to go shopping; her friends wanted to see a movie.
Version C: Sarah wanted to go shopping, but her friends wanted to see a movie.
- Version A: The bus was late. We missed the beginning of the play.
Version B: The bus was late; we missed the beginning of the play.
Version C: The bus was late, so we missed the beginning of the play.

Teacher Notes/Guide:

- This worksheet shows students that **run-ons have more than one solution**.
- Encourage students to experiment with different conjunctions in **Version C** (not just “and” every time).
- Have students compare how punctuation choices change the **tone and flow** of writing.