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Sentence Skeletons

Directions: Read the passage below. Some sentences are **fragments**. **Underline** each fragment. **Answer** the comprehension questions about how the fragments affect the meaning and clarity of the passage.

Last Friday, our class went on a field trip to the science museum. The huge dinosaur skeleton in the main hall. Everyone stared in amazement. We walked through different exhibits. Full of hands-on experiments and displays. I liked the space section best. Because it had a model rocket that lit up. At the end of the trip, we ate lunch together in the cafeteria. Tired but happy.

Comprehension Questions

1. How many **sentence fragments** are in the passage? List them.

2. Choose one of the fragments. Rewrite it as a **complete sentence**.

3. How do the fragments affect the **clarity** of the passage? Do they make the writing confusing, dramatic, or choppy? Explain.

4. Why is it important to avoid fragments in **formal writing**?
