

Fragment to Full Answer Key

Fragments Identified in the Passage

- *A trip full of excitement and adventure.*
- *While listening to the birds singing in the trees.*
- *Because the night grew very cold.*
- *Making the whole place look magical.*
- *Until we were too tired to keep our eyes open.*

Sample Corrections

1. **A trip full of excitement and adventure** → *It was a trip full of excitement and adventure.*
2. **While listening to the birds singing in the trees** → *We relaxed while listening to the birds singing in the trees.*
3. **Because the night grew very cold** → *We wore jackets because the night grew very cold.*
4. **Making the whole place look magical** → *The stars shone brightly, making the whole place look magical.*
5. **Until we were too tired to keep our eyes open** → *We stayed up late telling stories until we were too tired to keep our eyes open.*

Teacher Notes:

- Students may rewrite fragments in **different but correct ways** as long as the result is a **complete sentence**.
- Encourage students to look for **clue words** like *because, while, until, making*; these often introduce fragments if not attached to a main clause.
- To extend the activity, ask students to **combine fragments with nearby sentences** rather than always creating stand-alone fixes. This helps develop sentence fluency and avoids choppy writing.