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PRACTICE A, WORKSHEET 7

Revising Fragments and Run-ons

DIRECTIONS The following paragraph is confusing because it contains some sentence fragments and run-on sentences.

- Identify the fragments by underlining them once.
- Identify the run-ons by underlining them twice.
- Rewrite the paragraph, revising each fragment and run-on to make the meaning clear.

Scuba diving is a popular pastime. *Scuba* is an acronym it stands for "**s**elf-contained **u**nderwater **b**reathing **a**pparatus." In the fifteenth century, Leonardo da Vinci designed an underwater diving suit. Functional equipment not developed until much later. The eighteenth century brought practical devices for breathing under water. Such as diving suits and diving bells. Wearing these suits, divers could breathe under water, their mobility was limited. The twentieth century had Jacques Cousteau and Émile Gagnan to solve the problem. Perfected the aqualung. The aqualung is a cylinder of compressed air, it is worn on the back and connected to a mouthpiece. With an aqualung, divers have both air and mobility. Since 71 percent of the earth's surface is covered by oceans. Scuba diving opened up a whole new world.

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