Sentence Fragments Answer Key

**Directions:** Determine if the sentence is a fragment or a complete sentence. If the sentence is a fragment, fix it so that it becomes an independent clause. There may be several correct answers.

**Example:** In China during the New Year.
  (Fragment) **There is a big parade** in China during the New Year.

1. After the rain stops, we are going to play outside.
   **Complete Sentence**

2. Some of the students working in Dr. Ray’s clinic last semester.
   - Some of the students working in Dr. Ray’s clinic last year **were exposed to radiation poisoning.**
   - Some of the students **were working in Dr. Ray’s clinic last year.**

3. Mike can’t drive to the beach because his car is at the repair shop.
   **Complete Sentence**

4. Because Julie ate too much cake.
   - **Because Julie ate too much cake, she couldn’t fit into her wedding dress.**
   - **Because Julie ate too much cake, she got sick.**

5. The man with the large briefcase is a professor at my college.
   **Complete Sentence**

6. During the stressful English exam.
   - **During the stressful English exam, many students looked nervous.**
   - **During the stressful English exam, Dylan tried to concentrate.**

7. The woman in the blue shirt is my friend.
   **Complete Sentence.**

8. Ever since Greg cheated on his chemistry exam.
   - **Ever since Greg cheated on his chemistry exam, his teacher can no longer trust him.**
   - **Ever since Greg cheated on his chemistry exam, his parents took away his phone.**

9. Which caused a box of tennis balls to roll under the bed.
   - **He accidentally fell, which caused a box of tennis balls to roll under the bed.**
   - **He kicked the chair, which caused a box of tennis balls to roll under the bed.**