

Sentence Combining: Paragraphs

You've mastered coordinating conjunctions, subordinating conjunctions, and finding common subject and verbs. Now it's time to combine sentences in a paragraph! Combine as many sentences as you can in the following paragraph.

The Boston Red Sox were three games down. The Red Sox had to win the next four games to advance. Fans were worried. Boston had not won a World Series since 1918. No team had ever come back in the playoffs from a three-game deficit. All of the fans knew this. Red Sox fans watched anxiously as the fourth game of the ALCS began. Yankees fans watched confidently.

They also knew that anything could happen. People wanted to watch a good series. They did not expect it to be such a nail-biter! David Roberts stole second base. This move would be remembered as the turning point of the series. Nobody believed the Red Sox would win that year. The Red Sox won that year. The Yankees would not win the World Series for another five years. In 2009, the Yankees won the World Series.



Sentence Combining: Paragraphs

ANSWER KEY

Answers may vary. Some possible responses include:

The Boston Red Sox were three games down. The Red Sox had to win the next four games to advance. Fans were worried. Boston had not won a World Series since 1918. No team had ever come back in the playoffs from a three-game deficit. All of the fans knew this. Red Sox fans watched anxiously as the fourth game of the ALCS began. Yankees fans watched confidently.

They also knew that anything could happen. People wanted to watch a good series. They did not expect it to be such a nail-biter! David Roberts stole second base. This move would be remembered as the turning point of the series. Nobody believed the Red Sox would win that year. The Red Sox won that year. The Yankees would not win the World Series for another five years. In 2009, the Yankees won the World Series.

1. The Boston Red Sox were three games down, and they had to win the

next four games to advance.

- 2. Fans were worried because Boston had not won a World Series since 1918.
- 3. Red Sox fans watched anxiously as the fourth game of the ALCS

began; however, Yankees fans watched confidently.

4. People wanted to watch a good series, but they did not expect it to be

such a nail-biter!

5. David Roberts stole second base, which would be remembered as the

turning point of the series.

- 6. Nobody believed the Red Sox would win that year, but they did.
- 7. The Yankees would not win the World Series until 2009.