**Practicing Sentence Fluency**

Rewrite the following choppy sentences to improve the sentence fluency.

**1.** Turtles are a type of reptile. They are the oldest type of reptile on earth. They have been around for about 200 million years. They now live on every continent except Antarctica. Some live in water. Others live in land.

**2.** Turtles have a shell. The shell has two parts. The upper part is called the “carapace.” The lower part is called the “plastron.” Some turtles have hard shells. Other turtles have leathery shells. Turtles cannot leave their shells. Their ribs are fused to their shells.

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