Fragments Worksheet II: Revising Fragments

Most of the following passages contain a sentence fragment. Identify each fragment by circling the number preceding it. Then rewrite the passage to correct each fragment by adding the fragment to a complete sentence or changing the fragment to make it a complete sentence. If there is no fragment in the passage, write C to the left of the passage.

1. The contrast between the two cats is great. One of them being quiet and the other highly sociable.

2. They moved into a condominium in a quiet neighborhood. Quiet being all they wanted.

3. The millennium specials have been very popular. Sponsored in part by an oil company. ABC has shown several.

4. The river was polluted with insecticides. Funds for cleaning it up were not available. The chemical company had gone bankrupt.

5. Mike seems to be a good father. Taking his children to ball games or on trips or just staying around the house teaching them new games.

6. When riding the subway, I always read the advertisements above the windows. Trying to take my mind off the long ride.

7. I tried to be gentle with the old man. Who had insulted me the day before but now wanted my assistance.
8. Tommy can be insulting and overbearing. For example, he said he should be in a dorm with "better-quality people."

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