

# Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences

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## Remember:

- **Simple sentence:** One independent clause (e.g., The dog barked.)
- **Compound sentence:** Two independent clauses joined by a coordinating conjunction (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so)
- **Complex sentence:** One independent clause + one or more dependent clauses joined by a subordinating conjunction (because, although, when, if, since, etc.)

## Part A: Identify the Sentence Type

Write **S** (simple), **CD** (compound), or **CX** (complex) next to each sentence.

1. The students finished their homework before dinner. \_\_\_\_\_
2. I wanted to go to the concert, but the tickets were sold out. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The rain stopped suddenly. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Although it was cold, we went swimming at the beach. \_\_\_\_\_
5. She studied hard for the test, so she felt confident. \_\_\_\_\_
6. When the bell rang, everyone rushed to the door. \_\_\_\_\_
7. The cat slept peacefully on the windowsill. \_\_\_\_\_
8. We can watch a film, or we can play board games. \_\_\_\_\_

## Part B: Combine Using Coordinating Conjunctions

Combine each pair of simple sentences into a compound sentence using an appropriate coordinating conjunction (and, but, or, so, yet).

1. The weather was terrible. We cancelled the picnic.  
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2. I could finish my project tonight. I could wake up early tomorrow.  
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3. Tom trained every day. He wanted to make the rugby team.  
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## Part C: Combine Using Subordinating Conjunctions

Combine each pair of simple sentences into a complex sentence using the subordinating conjunction in brackets.

1. We arrived at the cinema. The film had already started. (when)  
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2. She enjoys reading mystery novels. They keep her engaged. (because)

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3. The team played well. They lost the match. (although)

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4. You finish your vegetables. You can have dessert. (if)

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### **Part D: Write Your Own**

Write one sentence of each type about your favourite hobby or activity.

**Simple sentence:**

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**Compound sentence:**

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**Complex sentence:**

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