Sentence Types

Simple Sentence

- Contains a subject and a predicate
- Expresses a complete thought.

Examples:

The boys went to the park.

We like pizza.

Tip:

A simple sentence is also called an independent clause.

Compound Sentence

- Contains two or more independent clauses.
- Clauses are joined by a coordinating conjuction.

Examples:

The boys went to the park, but they did not go to the zoo.

We like pizza, and we like spaghetti.

Tip:

Look for these conjunctions:
for, and, nor, but, or, yet.

Complex Sentence

- Contains an independent clause and a dependent clause.
- Dependent clause begins with a subordinating conjunction.

Examples:

Because the boys went to the park, they did not go to the zoo.

The boys did not go to the zoo because they went to the park.

Tip:

Look for these subordinating conjunctions:
after, before, because, although, when, since, if, whenever, unless, while, so that, even though, wherever.

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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence 1



Cinderella was a kind and loving girl.

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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence 2



She worked hard, yet she never complained.

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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence 3



Even though Cinderella worked very hard, her step-mother did not like her.

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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence 4



Cinderella's two step-sisters were often mean to her.

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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence 5



Cinderella's two step-sisters were not only mean, but they were also very lazy.

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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence 6

After Cinderella had done all the work, she would sit by the fireplace and cry.



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The prince decided to throw a ball for all the people in the kingdom.

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When the fairy godmother saw Cinderella crying, she used her magic wand to help her go the ball.

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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence

The fairy godmother waved her wand and Cinderella got a beautiful dress and pretty glass slippers.



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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence

The fairy godmother waved her magic wand and turned the mice into horses.



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As soon as the fairy godmother waved her wand, the pumpkin turned into a beautiful carriage.



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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence

Once the mice turned into horses, they were prancing with joy and excitement.



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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence

Cinderella rode to the ball in her beautiful carriage.



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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence

The prince couldn't take his eyes off Cinderella, for he had fallen in love with her.





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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence

Cinderella had never been this happy in a long time and she feared it would all end too soon.



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Simple, Compound, or Complex Sentence

As soon as the clock struck twelve, Cinderella realized she had to leave the ball and rush home.



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Compound Sentences vs. Complex Sentences

A compound sentence has two independent clauses. It is like two complete sentences combined into one. A complex sentence has a subordinate clause and an independent clause. The subordinate clause modifies a word in the independent clause.

Read the following sentences. Check the box marked "compound" if it is a compound sentence. Check the box marked "complex" if it is a complex sentence.

1. Kerry called the fire department, and they arrived very quickly.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
2. After he got home, my father read us a story.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
3. We couldn't go to the beach because the car broke down.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
4. The magician pulled a rabbit from his hat, but the audience did not applaud.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
5. The baby elephant followed its mother because the lion was very close.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
6. The forest was dark and gloomy, yet the children ran into it fearlessly.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
7. The campers stayed in the tent while the cold rain fell.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
8. Jane and Louise bought popcorn before the movie started.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
9. Peter worked hard on his homework, yet he didn't finish it.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex
10. The baseball player ran to second base when the pitcher dropped the ball.	☐ Compound	☐ Complex

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An independent clause is a clause that **can stand on its own, by itself.**

A dependent clause is a clause that **does not express a complete thought.**

Identifying Independent and Dependent Clauses

Write "I" for Independent clause & write "D" for Dependent

Capital **D** or Capital **I**

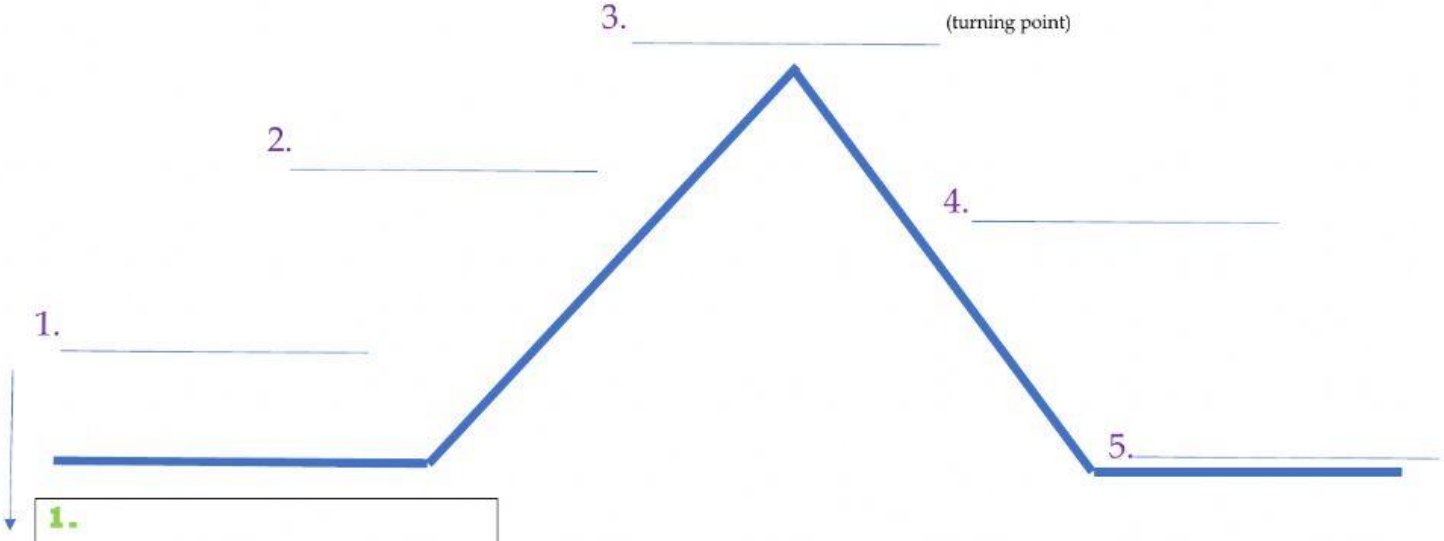


1. Jim came over because he enjoys my company. D
2. Whenever those girls get together, trouble isn't far behind. ☐
3. Even if you begged me to join your club, there is no way I will do it. ☐
4. Although I really like to read novels, I seldom read a novel that is very long. ☐
5. You need to respond to this request by Monday, otherwise I will assume you don't care. ☐
6. While I believe in being generous, I find constant fundraising calls to be annoying. ☐
7. The little dog snores while she sleeps at my feet. ☐
8. Kyle's team lost the game that he had hoped they would win. ☐
9. When you come over tonight, let's watch our favorite T.V. show. ☐

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Plot Mountain

Falling Action Exposition Climax Characters Rising Action Setting Problem Resolution



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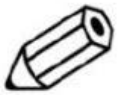
(Put the words in the box in alphabetical order)

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GRAMMAR WORKSHEET

SUBJECT *and* OBJECT PRONOUNS

	BEFORE		AFTER	
I you he she it we they		+ verb +		me you him her it us them



Subject pronouns usually come before the main verb, while object pronouns follow the main verb.

- ***Fill in the blanks below to complete the sentences. Study the above boxes.***

1. Do you know that man? Do you know **him**?
2. My friend and I have money. _____ can go shopping.
3. Robert and Mark are late. _____ should hurry.
4. She gave _____ a birthday gift. I really like it.
5. Elephants are very big, so _____ eat a lot of food.
6. My brother is studying because _____ has a test tomorrow.
7. Do you feel okay? Can I help _____?
8. My new neighbors are very friendly. I really like _____.
9. I need to find my book. Where did you put _____?
10. Spiders have eight legs, and _____ also have many eyes.
11. I'm busy right now. Could you please call _____ after an hour?
12. He gave me the box, but _____ lost it.
13. We gave him the money, and he gave _____ the candy.
14. I almost never eat junk food because _____ isn't healthy.

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