

Complex Sentences

In a compound sentence, both independent clauses are equally important. In a complex sentence, the independent clause contains the most important, main idea, and the subordinate clause contains less important, or extra, information.

DIRECTIONS: Combine each set of sentences below to create a complex sentence. Use the word in parentheses to combine the sentences.

1. We went to the mall. We went after school. (after)

2. John likes peanuts. John is allergic to peanuts. (although)

3. Elaine is my lab partner. Elaine just moved here. (who)

4. We bought a house in town. The house is blue. (which)

5. We stayed up late. The sun came up. (until)

6. I won't be going to the party. I have plans that night. (since)

