

TYPES OF SENTENCES: SIMPLE – COMPOUND – COMPLEX SENTENCES

Task 1. Identify these sentences, whether they are simple, compound or complex?

1. We met rather few people who spoke English.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

2. I have been on rather too many planes and trains recently.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

3. We drove right up to Helsinki in two days.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

4. I don't care how expensive it is.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

5. Two minutes ago the child was fast asleep, but now he is wide awake.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

6. He is not tall enough to be a soldier.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

7. I guess she just doesn't respect you.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

8. I have got four sisters and each of them is quite different from the others.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

9. You can either come with me now or walk home.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

10. He will never leave home because he hasn't got the courage to.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

11. When all else fails, read the user manual.

A. Complex B. Compound C. Simple

12. It was Sam who paid for the drinks.

A. Complex

B. Compound

C. Simple

Task 2. Circle the suitable Conjunctive adverbs.

1. You need to put more effort into your work; _____, you won't get a passing grade.

A. Moreover

B. Otherwise

C. Unless

D. Instead

2. We wanted to spend the day at the beach; _____, it rained so we stayed home.

A. Moreover

B. Unless

C. However

D. Additionally

3. She is a very smart girl; _____, it's not at all surprising that she gets such good grades.

A. Again

B. Besides

C. Contrarily

D. Therefore

4. Jared is a millionaire; _____, his brother Jeremy is always flat broke.

A. In contrast

B. Accordingly

C. Again

D. Likewise

5. He felt he couldn't tell the truth about what happened; _____, he lied.

A. In contrast

B. Likewise

C. Undoubtedly

D. Instead

6. I love to eat toffees; _____, people often give them to me at holidays.

A. nevertheless

B. accordingly

C. however

D. also

7. The tree has developed a large crack over the years; _____, it will have to be cut down for safety's sake.

A. for example

B. however

C. eventually

D. likewise

8. It would be nice to spend our vacation on the beach in Jamaica: _____, it would be fun to hike the Swiss alps.

A. on the other hand

B. as a result

C. indeed

D. therefore

Task 3. Change these sentences into simple sentences.

1. You must work hard or you will not pass the exam.

2. The doctor admitted that he was helpless.

3. No one likes a man who tells lies.

Task 4. Change into Complex sentences

1. These books were stolen in my absence.

2. The doctor did his best for the patient, but he could not save him.

3. I press the call bell and a nurse immediately comes in.

4. Nobody is going to hurt you, so don't be afraid.

5. Entrust me with the work and it will be done efficiently.

6. You must return home before sunset.

7. The squirrels hid the nuts at the usual place.
