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BASIC SENTENCE STRUCTURES

A. DIRECTIONS: Identify each sentence as *simple, compound, complex,* or *compound-complex*.

1. _____ Mr. Griffin runs a pet store, and his children help him.
2. _____ When I get to London, I will try to call, but I may be too busy.
3. _____ The company that contacted me by phone has a bad reputation.
4. _____ My brother and sister will arrive tomorrow.
5. _____ After the game was over, we ordered a pizza.
6. _____ The situation is confusing, but I hope to have more news soon.
7. _____ Your argument is weak, and you show no support for your ideas.
8. _____ I am interested in going into politics when I finish college.
9. _____ The mountain areas are barren, but the valleys are fertile since they are irrigated daily.
10. _____ Wild cats often hunt at night, but some prefer dawn or dusk.

B. DIRECTIONS: Write a compound sentence that combines each pair of shorter sentences below. Use an appropriate conjunction and correct punctuation.

1. The article was interesting. It did not have the information I needed.

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2. Cats vary in size. Many have wild colorings.

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3. We had been traveling for ten hours. We were happy to reach the motel

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C. DIRECTIONS: Rewrite each sentence by adding a dependent clause to form a complex sentence. Use the word in parentheses to introduce the dependent clause.

1. School closings were announced on TV and radio. (because)

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2. Do your homework first. (if)

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