

Complex Sentences

EXERCISE A. Underline the relative pronoun or the subordinating conjunction that begins the subordinate clause.

1. Helen Keller, who is shown in the photograph at right, became very ill as a small child. _____
2. After she recovered from the illness, she could no longer see or hear. _____
3. Because she could not hear, she also lost her ability to speak. _____
4. Helen's parents asked Alexander Graham Bell, who trained teachers of people with hearing impairments, for his advice about the child's education.

5. Upon Bell's suggestion, a special teacher, whose name was Anne Sullivan, stayed at the Kellers' home to teach Helen. _____

EXERCISE B. Classify each of the following sentences as *simple*, *compound*, or *complex*.

1. I drew an illustration for a poem that was written by Robert Hayden. _____
2. The Olympic skaters felt anxious, but they still performed their routine perfectly. _____
3. Kamehameha Day is an American holiday that honors the king who united the islands of Hawaii. _____
4. For the first time in his life, Luke saw the ocean. _____
5. If you had a choice, would you rather visit China or Japan? _____