

Sentence Types:

Simple, Compound and Complex

Simple Sentences

- A simple sentence contains a subject and a verb.
- It expresses a single complete thought that can stand on its own.

Examples:

1. The baby cried for food.
2. I like mobile games.

Compound Sentences

- A compound sentence has two independent clauses.
- These independent clauses are joined by a conjunction (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so).

Examples:

1. The shoplifter had stolen clothes, so he ran once he saw the police.
2. I don't know how to bake, so I buy my bread already made.

Complex Sentences

- A complex sentence is an independent clause joined by one or more dependent clauses.
- A complex sentence always has a subordinator (as, because, since, after, although, when) or relative pronouns (who, that, which).

Examples:

1. After eating lunch at The Cheesecake Factory, Tim went to the gym to exercise.
2. I enjoyed the apple pie that you bought for me.

Exercise 1

Identify the following sentences as simple compound and complex sentence:

1. Vampires Dairies is my favourite television show, but I also love True Blood.
2. The student wiped the white board that was filthy with last week's notes.

3. Walking through the wood, he saw a fox that was following him.
4. The house was destroyed in the fire, but the whole family was saved.
5. He said that he was so disappointed that he would not try again.
6. The evil that men do lives after them.
7. If I do not get this job, I will start a business.
8. A white shirt always looks sharp.
9. The pen is mightier than the sword.
10. The staff performed well.

Exercise 2

Write 5 Simple sentences ,five compound sentences and five complex sentences by your own.