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UNIT-5

#### **COMPLEX AND MIXED SENTENCES**



# Types of Sentences in English

## Simple Sentences

It has one subject and one verb which complete one thought.

Example: John likes to play

## **Compound Sentences**

It contains two simple sentences which complete thoughts and are joined by a conjunction.

**Example:** John likes to play but hates to go out in the sun.

## **Complex Sentences**

It contains one independent an dependent clause which provide information for both and are joined by coordinating conjunction.

**Example:** Because he likes to play, he was selected for sports competition.

## Simple Compound and Complex Sentences: Examples

Now that we are clear about the concept of simple, compound, and complex sentences, it's time to take a look at some of the example sentences.

Simple Sentences	Compound Sentences	Complex Sentences
The cat purrs softly.	I love to read books, and my sister enjoys painting.	Because it was raining heavily, we decided to stay indoors.
They love to play soccer.	He plays soccer, but she prefers swimming.	Although she was tired, she continued working on her project.
We will go to the park tomorrow.	She loves her job, yet she complains about it a lot.	When the phone rang, she jumped up to answer it.
He is eating an apple.	We work during the day, and we relax in the evening.	If you study hard, you will pass the exam.
She is reading a book.	They study hard, so they get good grades.	Since it was a beautiful day, we went for a walk in the park.

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## Simple Sentences

Instructions: Circle the subject in the following simple sentences given below.

- I like reading books before my bedtime.
- 2. She stacked the books on the shelf.
- 3. Ariel and Linsey are playing with the ball.
- 4. Sarah sang in the shower.
- 5. Ben and Alex played chess.
- 6. John has served 600 customers.
- 7. Wendy washed her dirty curtains.
- 8. Peter cut an onion.
- 9. The old tree had sat there for over a hundred years.
- 10. John and his dog are walking down the street.

#### Answers:

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#### **Compound Sentences**

Instructions: Choose the most appropriate compound words from the box and complete the following sentences.

For	So	Yet	And	Or
Unless	However	Because	But	After

1. You can play you have finished your homework.	
2. We can play we can have ice cream.	
3. The gym is closed, we can go the park.	
4. I eat almonds a snack before dinner.	
<ol><li>We went to buy shoes the car broke down.</li></ol>	
6. Polly is famous she is very humble.	
7. James said no he didn't want to go.	
8. Sam will miss the bus, she finds her keys.	
9. I missed the bus, I walked to the park.	
0. I bought an apple, I bought a pear.	

#### Check Answers:

- 1. You can play after you have finished your homework.
- 2. We can play or we can have ice cream.
- 3. The gym is closed so, we can go the park.
- I eat almonds for a snack before dinner.
- 5. We went to buy shoes but the car broke down.
- 6. Polly is famous and she is very humble.
- 7. James said no because he didn't want to go.
- 8. Sam will miss the bus unless she finds her keys.
- 9. I missed the bus so I walked to the park.
- 10. I bought an apple, and I bought a pear.

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## **Complex Sentences**

Instructions: Underline independent clauses in each of the following sentences mentioned below.

- 1. After we have breakfast, we'll start our work.
- 2. Now that our work is done, we can relax.
- 3. You act as if you have never done anything wrong.
- 4. He cut the apple in half because it was so big.
- 5. I picked Chris up today since the bus wasn't running.
- 6. Ed sits at his desk whenever he needs to concentrate.
- 7. You can have this last cookie as I am full.
- 8. He never comes over though I often invite him.
- 9. We should spend some time together now that we are friends.
- 10. We are out of tissues.

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