

IS THE SENTENCE SIMPLE, COMPOUND, OR COMPLEX?



Sentence type is determined by the number, types, and arrangement of clauses in a sentence. A clause has a subject and a predicate.

<p>A simple sentence is made up of one independent clause. An independent clause is a complete thought with a subject and predicate.</p>	<p>Liam loves to go camping with his dad in the summer.</p>
<p>A compound sentence has two independent clauses joined by a comma and a coordinating conjunction such as <i>and</i>, <i>but</i>, <i>or</i>, or <i>so</i>.</p>	<p>Liam enjoys being outdoors, but he does not like bugs.</p>
<p>A complex sentence has a dependent clause and an independent clause. The dependent clause might start with a subordinating conjunction such as <i>after</i>, <i>although</i>, <i>because</i>, <i>before</i>, <i>if</i>, <i>since</i>, <i>when</i>, and <i>while</i>.</p>	<p>After Liam got a new fishing pole, his dad planned their next camping trip.</p>

Write **simple**, **compound**, or **complex** on the line provided to describe each sentence. The first sentence is done for you.

1. Liam went camping at a lake in the mountains with his dad. simple
2. The drive to the lake from Liam's house took about an hour. simple
3. The campsite was right next to the water. simple
4. After they set up the tent, Liam and his dad went fishing. complex
5. Liam's dad didn't catch anything, but Liam caught three fish! compound
6. Liam built a fire when it was time for dinner. complex
7. Liam's dad made up spooky ghost stories to entertain Liam. simple
8. They put out the fire, and they watched the sky for shooting stars. compound
9. Liam didn't want to sleep because he was having too much fun. complex
10. Liam woke to the smell of breakfast cooking over the campfire. simple