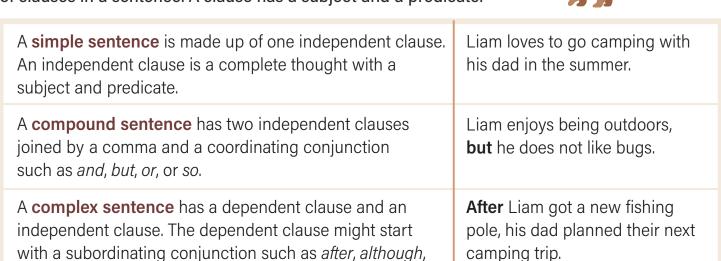# IS THE SENTENCE SIMPLE, COMPOUND, OR COMPLEX?

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

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

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. _____

3. The campsite was right next to the water. _____

4. After they set up the tent, Liam and his dad went fishing. _____

5. Liam's dad didn't catch anything, but Liam caught three fish! _____

6. Liam built a fire when it was time for dinner. _____

7. Liam's dad made up spooky ghost stories to entertain Liam. _____

8. They put out the fire, and they watched the sky for shooting stars. _____

9. Liam didn't want to sleep because he was having too much fun. _____

10. Liam woke to the smell of breakfast cooking over the campfire. _____