



UNDERSTANDING SENTENCE STRUCTURES

TYPES OF SENTENCE STRUCTURES



Simple Sentences



Compound Sentences



Complex Sentences



Compound-Complex Sentences

SIMPLE SENTENCES



Definition: A simple sentence consists of one independent clause.



Example:

The sun is shining.

She went to the store.

COMPOUND SENTENCES



Definition: A compound sentence consists of two or more independent clauses joined by a conjunction (such as and, but, or, so).



Example:

I wanted to go to the party, but I had too much homework.

She likes to play tennis, and he prefers basketball.

COMPLEX SENTENCES



Definition: A complex sentence consists of one independent clause and at least one dependent clause.



Example:

After she finished her homework, she went to bed.

Because it was raining, we stayed inside.

COMPOUND – COMPLEX SENTENCES



Definition: A compound-complex sentence consists of two or more independent clauses and at least one dependent clause.



Example:

She went to the store, but she forgot to buy milk because she was in a hurry.

He enjoys playing guitar, so he practices every day, and he hopes to start a band soon.