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Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences

Is each sentence simple, compound, or complex? Circle it.

The swans swim in the lake.

simple complex compound

The cats nap on the bed.

compound complex simple

The whale swims in the sea, and the seal naps on the rock.

simple complex compound

The horse sleeps in the barn.

compound simple complex

The tigers swim in the river,
and the spiders crawl on the web.

compound simple complex

Before the snake hid under the rock,
the skunks dug in the dirt.

complex compound simple

While the butterfly flies in the garden,
the worm wiggles in the dirt.

simple complex compound

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Make a compound sentence: a comma and the conjunction in the box.

or

We could play tag.
We could jump rope.

so

The snow melted.
The grass was wet.

so

It was raining.
We played inside.

and

The lion roars in the grass.
The chick hops in the grass.

and

The penguin slides on the ice.
The pig digs in the mud.

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Circle the part that starts with while, when, after, or before.

The goose honks in the field
when the hen pecks in the grass.

When the shark swims in the sea,
the alligators nap in the mud.

The elephant splashes in the river
while the frogs sit on the log.

The koala climbed up the tree after
the hippo napped in the river.

The owl flies over the field while
the bears swim in the river.

After the owls flew over the field,
the bear slept in the den.

The bees flew in the garden
before the koalas slept in the tree.

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The rabbit dug in the garden.

complex simple compound

The giraffes walk in the grass,
and the elephant splashes in the river.

simple complex compound

The lion roared in the grass.

simple complex compound

When the fox digs in the snow,
the tiger swims in the river.

simple compound complex

When the iguana climbed up the tree,
the geese honked in the field.

complex compound simple

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simple complex compound

The cat runs in the yard, and the snail crawls on the rock.

simple compound complex

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so

The cat was hungry.
It meowed at its bowl.

but

I like to paint.
My sister likes to sing.

and

The gorilla sits in the grass.
The worm wiggles in the mud.

but

The puppy is small.
It can run fast.

and

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simple complex (compound)

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compound (simple) complex

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(compound) simple complex

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(complex) compound simple

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simple (complex) compound

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