

## Sentence Types Practice

| Conjunctions                    | Dependent Clause Signal Words   |
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| For, and, nor, but, or, yet, so | after, although, as, as if, because, before, even if, even though, if, in order to, since, though, unless, until, whatever, when, whenever, whether, while, so that |

**EXERCISE 1:** Label the subject with an “s” and the verb with a “v” in each of the following SIMPLE sentences.

EX: <sup>s</sup> I <sup>v</sup> want to go to the store.

1. I want to go home.
2. I can't believe you said that!
3. I can jump higher than you.
4. The beautiful flower grew quickly.
5. Then the girl swam across the ocean.
6. The dog was very upset at the girl.
7. The pizza was too hot to eat.
8. The card she gave me was beautiful.
9. My computer is black.
10. The suit of armor was polished.

**EXERCISE 2:** Label the subjects with an “s” and the verbs with a “v” in each of the following compound sentences. Then, circle the conjunction that is combining the two independent clauses.

EX: <sup>s</sup> I <sup>v</sup> want to go to the store, (but) <sup>s</sup> I <sup>v</sup> can't go.

1. I want to go home, but I don't want to leave yet.

2. I can't believe you said that; it really hurt my feelings.
3. I can jump higher than you, and I can swim faster.
4. The beautiful flower grew quickly, or it grew slowly.
5. The girl swam across the ocean, and then she got on her bike.
6. The dog was very upset at the girl, but he still loved her.
7. The pizza was too hot to eat, but we ate it anyway.
8. The card she gave me was beautiful, so I hung it on the wall.
9. My computer is black; your computer is white.
10. The suit of armor was polished, but it still had one dark spot.

**EXERCISE 3:** Label the subjects with an "s" and the verbs with a "v" in each of the following COMPLEX sentences. Then, circle the dependent clause signal word.

EX: I <sup>v</sup>want to go to the store although I <sup>s</sup>can't go.

1. I want to go home although I don't want to leave yet.
2. I can't believe you said that because it really hurt my feelings.
3. Because I can jump higher than you, I can also swim faster.
4. The beautiful flower grew quickly when it didn't grow slowly.
5. The girl swam across the ocean when she then got on her bike.
6. The dog was very upset at the girl while he still loved her.
7. Even though the pizza was too hot to eat, we ate it anyway.
8. The card she gave me was beautiful after I hung it on the wall.
9. My computer is black because your computer is white.
10. The suit of armor was polished before it still had one dark spot.

**EXERCISE 4:** Turn each of these simple sentences into COMPOUND sentences. Label the subjects with an “s” and the verbs with a “v”.

EX:  $\overset{s}{I}$   $\overset{v}{ate}$  a hamburger , but  $\overset{s}{it}$   $\overset{v}{was}$  bad.

1. I want to go to the store \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The dog loves you \_\_\_\_\_.
3. You are so pretty \_\_\_\_\_.
4. My car is the best \_\_\_\_\_.
5. I kind of like school \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Reading is fun \_\_\_\_\_.
7. I swim so fast \_\_\_\_\_.
8. My favorite color is green \_\_\_\_\_.
9. We bought the house \_\_\_\_\_.
10. I ate the best dinner ever \_\_\_\_\_.

**EXERCISE 7:** Turn each of these simple sentences into a COMPLEX sentence by adding a dependent clause second. Label the subjects with an “s” and the verbs with a “v”.

EX:  $\overset{s}{I}$   $\overset{v}{ate}$  a hamburger because  $\overset{s}{it}$   $\overset{v}{was}$  good.

1. I want to go to the store \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The dog loves you \_\_\_\_\_.
3. You are so pretty \_\_\_\_\_.
4. My car is the best \_\_\_\_\_.
5. I kind of like school \_\_\_\_\_.

**EXERCISE 8:** Turn each of these simple sentences into a COMPLEX sentence by adding a dependent clause first. Label the subjects with an “s” and the verbs with a “v”.

EX: \_\_\_\_\_  $\overset{s}{Because}$   $\overset{v}{it}$   $\overset{s}{was}$   $\overset{v}{good}$  ,  $\overset{s}{I}$   $\overset{v}{ate}$  a hamburger.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ , reading is fun.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ , I swim so fast.

3. \_\_\_\_\_, my favorite color is green.
4. \_\_\_\_\_, we bought the house.
5. \_\_\_\_\_, I ate the best dinner ever.

**EXERCISE 9:** Write three SIMPLE sentences. Label the subject with an “s” and the verb with a “v”.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 10:** Write three COMPOUND sentences. Label the subjects with an “s” and the verbs with a “v”.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 11:** Write three COMPLEX sentences. Label the subjects with an “s” and the verbs with a “v”.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**EXERCISE 11: Explain how to make a SIMPLE sentence.**

**EXERCISE 12: Explain how to make a COMPOUND sentence.**

**EXERCISE 13: Explain how to make a COMPLEX sentence.**