

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. _____
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. _____