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**Complex or Simple Sentence Worksheet**

A complex sentence has an independent clause and a dependent clause. An independent clause is a complete sentence that can stand on its own.

A dependent clause is not a complete sentence for it cannot stand on its

own.

 Dependent clauses start with subordinating conjunctions such as: after, so, because, since, although, even though, before, unless, whenever etc…



Directions: Read each sentence below. Identify each as a complex or simple sentence.

*Example A: Because he played well, the boy is happy.*

*Answer: complex sentence*

1. I love to read. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. We ran home and ate dinner. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. After the movie, we all went out for pizza. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Unless he shows, we have to close up the shop. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Let’s all take a walk after dinner. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Once I finished lunch, I saw the surprise. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. She had a fun birthday party. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. Wherever they are, it is far from here. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
9. As I arrived, they all go out of the car. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
10. We didn’t hear the sound. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_