



Simple, Compound, Complex, Compound-Complex Sentences

Directions

1. You can play this game by yourself. It is more fun with several other players.
2. Player one draws a card that states simple, compound, complex, and compound/complex.
3. Player makes up a sentence that is indicated on the card drawn.
4. Player says sentence to everyone, tells which space he/she will cover.
5. If opponents do not agree, they may challenge the sentence.
6. Player with most squares covered, wins.

Simple Sentence: a sentence consisting of only one clause, with a single subject and predicate.

John rode his bike.

Compound Sentence: a sentence with more than one subject and predicate-each piece is a sentence.

John rode his bike and Jorge walked along.

Complex Sentence: a sentence containing a subordinate clause or clauses-one piece is not a sentence.

While Jill was riding her scooter, John rode his bike.

Compound/Complex Sentence: a sentence having two or more coordinate independent clauses and one or more dependent clauses

While Jill was riding her scooter, John rode his bike and Jorge walked along.

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