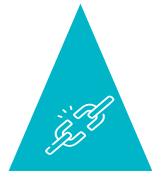
COMPLEXITY



Simple

A simple sentence has a subject and a predicate. it is a complete thought.

- Subject- the noun (person, place, or thing) the sentence is about.
- Predicate- what the subject is doing. The verb and any objects.

The dog drinks the water.

Complex

A complex sentence has a dependent and independent clause. If the dependent clause comes first, it is followed by a comma.

- Dependent- not a complete sentence
- Independent- complete sentence



For more interesting writing, use a variety of sentence types.

Compound

A compound sentence combines two simple sentences.

Combine sentences with conjunction.

The dog drinks, but the cat does not drink.

Combine sentences with the same noun and replace one of the nouns with a pronoun.

The dog drinks and it eats.

Combine sentences with the same verb

The dog and cat drink.