

Simple, Complex and Compound Sentences

1. Identify the following sentences and choose the correct options.

- a. We can wait here until father returns.
 - Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- b. I waited for Rani to arrive, but she was late.
 - Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- c. Either it stops raining, or we remain stuck inside the hotel all day.
 - Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- d. Grandmother and I baked a cake and ate it for dessert.
 - Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- e. The small river that runs behind my house is loaded with fish.
 - Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple

- f. It is generally believed that money cannot buy happiness.
- Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- g. I didn't want to go to the dentist, but I went anyway.
- Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- h. It was getting dark, and we were yet to cover over a hundred miles.
- Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- i. Last night, I watched a scary movie with my brother.
- Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple
- j. My mother cooks the best pasta in the world.
- Complex
 - Compound
 - Simple

2. Identify the types of the following sentences, and then transform them into any one other type.

- a. We read to learn.

b. Hearing the noise, the boy woke up.

c. The sea being smooth, we went for a swim.

d. He tried his best, but he didn't succeed.

e. The singer appeared on stage and the children started clapping.

Answers

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 - **Simple**

2.

- a. We read to learn.

Simple

We read so that we can learn. - Complex

- b. Hearing the noise, the boy woke up. -

Simple

The boy woke up when he heard the noise. – Complex

- c. The sea being smooth, we went for a swim.

Simple

We went for a swim because the sea was smooth. - Complex

- d. He tried his best, but he didn't succeed.

Compound

Although he tried his best, he didn't succeed. - Complex

- e. The singer appeared on stage and the children started clapping.

Compound

The children started clapping seeing the singer appear on stage. -

Simple