

Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences

A. Identify the following as simple, compound or complex sentences.

1. I love to read different kinds of books.
2. Unless a book is good, I can't read it.
3. Mummy was tired so I decided to help her.
4. After the movie is over, we'll all go for pizza.
5. Let's go for pizza after dinner.
6. As I reached home, I saw a man leaving our house.
7. We had great fun at our house warming party.
8. I love to watch tennis, but many people don't enjoy this sport.

B. Transform these sentences as directed.

1. We must work hard to make up for the lost time. (*change to compound*)
2. He finished his work and put away his books. (*change to simple*)
3. Being hungry, the man ate too much. (*change to compound*)
4. I saw a lame dog. (*change to complex*)
5. Radha, who is my friend, is a doctor. (*change to simple*)
6. You must practise so that you may win. (*change to simple*)
7. Not feeling well, he decided to rest. (*change to complex*)
8. If we look at the problem closely, we realise that the situation is really bad. (*change to simple*)
9. Rajan studied hard in order that he may get admission in his favourite college. (*change to simple*)
10. If one decides to learn, anyone can cook. (*change to compound*)

Answers

A.

1. Simple
2. Complex
3. Compound
4. Complex
5. Simple
6. Complex
7. Simple
8. Compound

B.

1. We must work hard and make up for the lost time.
2. Having finished his work, he put away his books.
3. The man was hungry so he ate too much.
4. I saw a dog which was lame.
5. My friend Radha is a doctor.
6. You must practise to win.
7. As he wasn't feeling well, he decided to rest.
8. Looking closely at the problem, we realise that the situation is really bad.
9. Rajan studied hard to get admission in his favourite college.
10. Decide to learn and you will be able to cook.