

COMPLEX-COMPOUND SENTENCES

Above each sentence, identify the dependent and the independent clauses.

Dependent

Independent

Independent

Example: If Gerry Brown is re-elected this November, he'll serve another four years, but it won't be an easy job.

1 Although we decided that the movie was too violent, our children like to watch scary movies, and they watched without permission.

2 Even though it was thought to be indestructible, the Twin Towers fell on Sept. 11, 2001, and that event forever changed the New York skyline.

3 In order to scare Americans, terrorists attacked the Twin Towers, but the act made Americans determined to fight.

4 Though Andrea usually prefers watching romantic films, she rented the latest spy thriller, and she enjoyed it very much.

5 When we won the state championship, the team captain jumped for joy, and the fans cheered.

6 The kids had fun and the parents were happy, because the party was outdoors.

7 Because the Western European nations suffered in a depression, Hitler invaded Poland, but he really did so as a step toward conquering Russia.

8 John went to school, but James remained at home because he had a sore throat.

- 9 If he changes his mind, we shall know for sure that Joe has learned his lesson, but only time will tell.
- 10 Since those clouds promise rain, we should hurry, or we'll get caught in a storm.
- 11 Since we had gone only a mile from camp, we could return before dark, and we would not become lost.
- 12 After the tornado had hit, my house was gone, but my neighbor's house was not touched.
- 13 Inasmuch as we have alternatives, the route can be changed, but I don't like the idea of revising plans.
- 14 Since Dr. Mathews performed the operation, Tom seemed certain to recover, but he didn't.
- 15 After they had finished the work, they moved to Hawaii, and they never returned.
- 16 Since vacations are supposed to be restful, many people take lengthy trips, but they come back home exhausted from the travel.
- 17 Although the old people were running, electronic monitors indicated that their heart rates were normal, and this fact reassured the doctors.
- 18 When he tried, he succeeded.
- 19 He succeeded whenever he tried.
- 20 Sugar instantly dissolves if one adds water.