Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences

Read the following sentences, and indicate whether each is simple, compound, or complex.

Example: I’m going to bed early because I’m tired. complex

1. We rang the doorbell, but no one answered it. __________
2. I sent Jane many texts while she was away at college. __________
3. Have you seen Nelson’s old Camaro at the back of his garage? __________
4. When Ms. Jones entered the room, we all became quiet. __________
5. Roberto likes chemistry, but he likes physics better. __________
6. Since we’ve lost every game but one, no one is excited about football this year. __________
7. When I’m tired, I’m not good company for anyone. __________
8. As he wandered aimlessly up the path, Collin approached the house. __________
9. Susan sang a solo and she accompanied herself on the piano. __________
10. When the rain began, we were playing tennis. __________
11. When Uncle Jack comes to town, we all have a good time. __________
12. I worked all morning, and then I relaxed in the afternoon. __________
13. Beth likes all seasons of the year, but she likes fall best. __________
14. Before you accuse someone of stealing your phone, make sure it isn’t just lost. __________
15. Dave began to feel better before the doctor arrived. __________
16. As he whistled loudly, Ken walked past the cemetery. __________
17. You see four states from Lookout Mountain. __________
18. If you want your car really clean, let George wash it. __________
19. I must stay home until the man comes to repair the washing machine. __________
20. Our neighbors are going to Canada on their vacation, but we’ll vacation at home. __________
21. Until you leave, no one will stop complaining. __________
22. Because we were all so tired, we decided to go home early. __________
23. Unless we do all of our homework, we won’t be able to go to the game. __________
24. My friends waited at the door for us until we got home. __________
25. Although none of us wanted to leave, we had to be home before midnight. __________
26. Tom and Susan took Miriam and Nelson to Kawai and Maui. __________