

SIMPLE AND COMPOUND SENTENCES/ CONJUNCTIONS

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A simple sentence is a sentence that expresses only one complete thought. The subject or the predicate in a simple sentence may be simple or compound.

A compound sentence is made up of two or more simple sentences joined by a conjunction such as *and*, *or*, or *but*. Use a comma before the conjunction.

A conjunction is a word that connects words or groups of words in a sentence. Some common conjunctions are *and*, *but*, and *or*.

A. Write *simple* or *compound* to describe each sentence. The first one has been done for you.

1. I wrote letters to my senator and my representative in Congress about air pollution.

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2. Air quality is poor in my town, but it is improving.

3. It needs more improvement, or people will move to other areas.

4. Clean air laws help, but many factories do not obey the laws.

5. Many people have strong opinions on this topic.

6. Pollution control devices are expensive, and factories pass the costs on to consumers.

7. The air in a city should be clean, fresh, and free of pollutants.

8. A letter campaign is a start, but I have other plans, too.

