

Simple & Compound Sentences

- **Simple Sentence** – a sentence that has just one independent clause.

Example 1: Curiosity killed the cat.

Example 2: Lee has been eating pies.

***Independent Clause** - a clause that can stand alone as a sentence.

- **Compound Sentence** – a sentence that has at least two independent clauses.

Example 1: I always wanted to be somebody, but I should have been more specific.

Example 2: Lee has been eating pies, and he has been eating cakes.

Practice

Write each sentence and label them as a simple sentence or a compound sentence. Be prepared to explain why.

1. The girl ate all of her lunch.
2. Many trees were dead, and the people tried to cut them down.
3. Several helicopters landed on the roof, but others landed on the ground.
4. She is a mean girl!
5. Sammy and Tommy are best friends.