Sentence Types

**Directions:** Read and analyze each sentence. Circle the predicates and underline the subjects. Draw a line separating the clauses in the sentence. Write the sentence type on the line.

**Simple Sentence:** a sentence that has only one clause.

**Compound Sentence:** a sentence with two or more clauses joined by a coordinating conjunction.

**Complex Sentence:** two or more clauses joined with a subordinating conjunction.

**Compound-Complex:** three or more clauses joined by coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.

**Example:**

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<td>Mom</td>
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**Sentence Type**

1. When I get home from school, I'm going to take a nap.  
2. I got in trouble so I can't go to the party, but it would have been fun.
3. Being alone can be scary unless you keep yourself busy.
4. Mr. Morton, the best reading teacher in the world, taught me sentence structure.
5. Keith, Carrie, and Kyle bought donuts and ate them down by the river.
6. I left early so that I could get some work done, but I'll be back soon.
7. Crossing the street is dangerous if you don't look both ways before you cross.
8. If you don't want to study, you should stay home, but you may regret it.
9. Every time I go to mall, I spend all of my money on things that I don't need.
10. Mom said that I can go to the museum with you but I have to be home early.
11. *Modern Warfare* is a fun game but no game is better than *Ms. Pac-Man*.
12. Todd and Nick are eating chips and salsa on a park bench before dinner.

**Try it yourself:**

On the back of this paper write two simple sentence, two compound sentences, and two complex sentences. Circle your predicates and underline your subjects.