

Complex Sentences

✚ A complex sentence is made up of an independent clause and a dependent clause. An independent clause is a sentence that can stand on its own and make sense, while a dependent clause cannot.

✚ A dependent clause usually starts with a subordinating conjunction such as "because," "although," "when," "since," "unless," "while," "if," etc.

❖ Here are some examples of complex sentences:

- Although I wanted to go to the party, I had to finish my homework.
- When the weather is nice, we like to go for a walk in the park.
- Since she has a lot of experience, she is the best candidate for the job.
- If you don't study for the test, you will not do well.

❖ In these examples, the independent clause is underlined and the dependent clause is in bold.

❖ Complex sentences are used to add more detail and complexity to writing, and they can be used in a variety of contexts, such as in academic writing, fiction, and non-fiction.

✚ It is important to use complex sentences correctly to avoid confusion or misinterpretation. One common mistake is to create a sentence fragment by starting with a dependent clause without an independent clause to follow it.

❖ Here is an example of a sentence fragment using a dependent clause:

- Although I was tired.