Types of Sentences (Structure-wise)

BY: ADNAN AHMED

Guessing Patterns

Listen and guess the type of sentence.

Guessing Patterns

Although I was tired, I finished my homework, and I cleaned my room.

He will succeed if he works hard.

I stayed home because I was sick.

I wanted to go out, but it was raining.

Our teacher explained the lesson clearly.

She likes coffee.

She smiled because she was happy, and she thanked everyone for coming.

The book that you gave me is interesting.

The dog barked, and the cat ran away.

The sun sets in the west.

We can watch a movie, or we can play games.

We went to the park, and the kids played while the adults talked.

Simple Sentence

Definition: It has one independent clause. It expresses a complete thought.

Structure: Subject + 1 verb; may have a compound subject/verb, but still one clause.

Example: Ali studies every evening.

Compound Sentence

Definition: It has two or more independent clauses joined by a coordinating conjunction (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so) or by a semicolon.

Structure: Each clause can stand alone.

Example: Ali studies every evening, and he works at a café on weekends.

Complex Sentence

Definition: It has one independent clause and at least one dependent (subordinate) clause introduced by subordinating conjunctions (because, although, when, if, etc.).

Structure: The dependent clause cannot stand alone.

Example: Ali studies every evening because he wants to pass his exam.

Compound-Complex Sentence

Definition: It has at least two independent clauses and one or more dependent clauses.

Structure: Combines the previous two types.

Example: Ali studies every evening because he wants to pass his exam, and he also attends extra classes.

Activity

Move around and discuss the sentences among themselves.

Activity (Identify Sentences)

The children played in the garden.

I wanted to go shopping, but the stores were closed.

He didn't attend the meeting because he was feeling unwell.

Although she was tired, she completed her project, and she submitted it on time.

Our teacher explained the topic clearly.

The sun was shining, and the birds were singing.

We will visit the museum if it doesn't rain tomorrow.

While the kids were playing outside, the parents prepared dinner, and the grandparents watched television.

He opened the window to let some fresh air in.

She called me when she reached home, but I was already asleep.

Activity (Identify Sentences)

The children played in the garden. (Simple)

I wanted to go shopping, but the stores were closed. (Compound)

He didn't attend the meeting because he was feeling unwell. (Complex)

Although she was tired, she completed her project, and she submitted it on time. (Compound-Complex)

Our teacher explained the topic clearly. (Simple)

The sun was shining, and the birds were singing. (Compound)

We will visit the museum if it doesn't rain tomorrow. (Complex)

While the kids were playing outside, the parents prepared dinner, and the grandparents watched television. (Compound-Complex)

He opened the window to let some fresh air in. (Simple)

She called me when she reached home, but I was already asleep. (Compound-Complex)

References

➢ Eastwood, J. (2014). Oxford Practice Grammar Intermediate . *New York: Oxford University Press. MLA Style. Eastwood, John.*

➢ *Manganhar, G. H. (2021)* "Towards Meaningful and Enlightening English" *Ghuftugu*

THANKS.

BY: ADNAN AHMED