

State whether the following sentences are simple, complex or compound.

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Simple
Complex
Compound

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2. Do you think she is ready?

Simple
Complex
Compound

The given sentence has a main clause and a subordinate clause. Hence, it is a complex sentence.

3. I am anxious to contact him.

Simple
Complex
Compound

The given sentence has only one finite verb and hence one clause. So it is a simple sentence.

4. I noticed that he seemed to be drinking a lot.

Simple
Complex
Compound

The given sentence has a main clause and a subordinate clause. Hence, it is a complex sentence.

5. He came to Sydney to look for work.

Simple

Complex

Compound

The given sentence has only one finite verb and hence one clause. So it is a simple sentence.

6. My father was bitten by a dog last week.

Simple

Complex

Compound

The given sentence has only one finite verb and hence one clause. So it is a simple sentence.

7. I don't know what I should do.

Simple

Complex

Compound

The given sentence has a main clause and a subordinate clause. Hence, it is a complex sentence.

8. I neither smoke nor drink.

Simple

Complex

Compound

The given sentence has two co-ordinate clauses connected by the correlative conjunction neither/nor. Hence it is a compound sentence.

9. I didn't sing because she was there.

Simple

Complex

Compound

The given sentence has a main clause and a subordinate clause. Hence, it is a complex sentence.

10. You can stay or quit.

Simple

Complex

Compound

The given sentence has two coordinate clauses connected by the coordinating conjunction or.

11. If it helps, I will lend you some money.

Simple

Complex

Compound

12. I knocked again and again but nobody opened the door.

Simple

Complex

Compound

The given sentence has two coordinate clauses connected by the coordinating conjunction but.

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Answers

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