

Review of Complex Sentences

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Understanding Complex Sentences and Conjunctions

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Answer the following questions about complex sentences and how they make our writing better.

1. What is a subordinating conjunction?

- A. A type of verb
- B. A word that connects clauses
- C. A kind of noun

2. Why do good writers use complex sentences in their stories?

3. Complex sentences have a main clause and at least one ____ clause.

4. Which of the following is an example of a subordinating conjunction?

- A. And
- B. But
- C. Because

5. How do complex sentences help us tell stories better?

6. Match the sentence structure to its description.

Simple sentence

One main clause

Complex sentence

One main clause and one dependent clause

7. The memory verse Proverbs 15:1 teaches us that a gentle answer turns away ____ but harsh words stir up anger.

8. What do complex sentences add to our writing?

- A. Depth and interest
- B. Simplicity
- C. Repetition

9. Can you name a story that uses interesting sentence structures?

10. Which of these sentences is complex?

- A. I like ice cream.
- B. I like ice cream because it is sweet.
- C. Ice cream is my favorite.

Answer Key

1. A word that connects clauses 2. Good writers use complex sentences to make their writing more engaging and interesting. 3. dependent 4. Because 5. They connect ideas smoothly, making the story more interesting to read. 6. One main clause 7. wrath 8. Depth and interest 9. The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe 10. I like ice cream because it is sweet.
