**Simple Sentences**

* A simple sentence contains a subject and a predicate.
* A simple sentence expresses a complete thought.
* Simple sentences do not contain conjunctions.

**Examples:**

That was a scary ride!

We went to the fair.

**Compound Sentences**

* A compound sentence contains two complete thoughts or independent clauses that are joined by a coordinating conjunction.
* There are 7 coordinating conjunctions.

**For, and, nor, but, or, yet, so**

**Example:**

I had fun at the fair, but I had to wait in the long lines.

**Complex Sentences**

* A complex sentence contains a complete thought **AND** one or more incomplete thoughts that are joined by subordinating conjunctions.
* Some examples of subordinating conjunctions are:
  + after, before, since, although, because

**Example:**

After we rode the Ferris wheel, we waited in line for the bumper cars.

**Compound-Complex Sentences**

* A compound-complex sentence has one complex sentence joined to a simple sentence with a conjunction.

**Example:**

While I wait in line, Jack rides the roller coaster, and Sam ate cotton candy.