

Objective: TSWBAT write compound sentences

RULES

- A **compound sentence** is made of two or more simple sentences joined together. A comma and a conjunction join the sentences.
- A **conjunction** is a word that joins words, sentences, or phrases together. Some conjunctions are *and*, *or*, and *but*.

Sally has a cat, but Philip has a dog.

Write *S* if the sentence is a simple sentence. Write *C* if it is a compound sentence.

1. Many people choose dogs for pets. S
2. Dogs make excellent pets, but mongrels are superior to purebreds in disposition. C
3. Dogs were the first animals to be tamed. S
4. Jaime has a German shepherd dog. S
5. Susan could get a Scottish terrier, but she wants a larger dog. C
6. She likes collies, but she adores English setters. C
7. Dalmatians are delightful, too. S
8. Dalmatians are fun, but they need lots of exercise. C
9. Carlos is getting a dog for his birthday. S
10. He might choose an Irish setter, or he might pick a spaniel. C
11. I like mixed-breed dogs. S
12. My dog is not a purebred, but I love him. C
13. My cousin has a whippet, and he also has a greyhound. C
14. Train your dog when it is a puppy, or attend an obedience training class for dogs. C
15. Give your dog love and kindness, and your dog will bring you joy. C



A. Circle whether each sentence is a **simple sentence** or a **compound sentence**.

1. Thelma wanted an unusual pet.

simple

compound

2. Her sister Marcia thought of getting an anaconda, but a parrot sounded interesting, too.

simple

compound

3. Then Thelma saw an ad for a pot-bellied pig.

simple

compound

4. She learned that pigs are smart and clean, and she told this to Marcia.

simple

compound

5. Marcia was reluctant at first, but soon she changed her mind.

simple

compound

B. Circle each simple sentence that makes up the compound sentences below.
Draw a box around the conjunction that joins the two sentences.

6. Thelma bought Hammon at the pet store, and she presented him to Marcia.
7. Hammon weighed only ten pounds then, but now he weighs close to three hundred pounds.
8. Marcia is delighted with Hammon, and Thelma thinks he is terrific, too.
9. Hammon watches TV with the girls, or sometimes he snoozes on the sofa.
10. Thelma says Hammon is as smart as a dog, but Marcia says he is much smarter.