Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences

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Remember:
• **Simple sentence:** One independent clause (The dog barked.)
• **Compound sentence:** Two independent clauses joined by a conjunction like *and, but, or, so* (The dog barked, and the cat ran away.)
• **Complex sentence:** An independent clause + a dependent clause using words like *because, when, although, if, since* (The dog barked because it heard a noise.)

Part A: Identify the Sentence Type

Write **S** (simple), **CD** (compound), or **CX** (complex) next to each sentence.

1. The rain stopped, so we went outside to play. _____
2. My brother loves basketball. _____
3. Although it was late, we finished our homework. _____
4. The teacher explained the lesson, and the students took notes. _____
5. We stayed indoors because the weather was terrible. _____
6. The bird sang beautifully in the tree. _____
7. I wanted to go swimming, but the pool was closed. _____
8. When the bell rang, everyone rushed to the door. _____

Part B: Combine into Compound Sentences

Join each pair of simple sentences using *and, but, or, so*. Write the new compound sentence below.

1. I studied hard. I passed the test.

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2. We could watch a movie. We could play board games.

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3. The cake looked delicious. It tasted burnt.

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Part C: Combine into Complex Sentences

Join each pair using one of these words: *because, when, although, if, since*. Write the new complex sentence below.

1. The flowers wilted. Nobody watered them.

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2. I will help you with your project. You ask me nicely.

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3. She was tired. She kept working.

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Part D: Write Your Own

Write one sentence of each type.

Compound sentence:

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Complex sentence: _____

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