

Fill in the blanks.

1. A compound sentence contains at least two _____ clauses and no _____ clauses.
2. The independent clauses can be connected by a(n) _____ and a(n) _____, or they can be connected with a(n) _____.

Identify each word group as a run-on or a sentence. If it is a run-on, correct it to make it a **COMPOUND SENTENCE** and write it on the line below.

- 3) The basket was filled with coffee beans; they had been picked that morning. *run-on* *sentence*

- 4) His plane arrived late but he made it to the meeting on time so the client was happy. *run-on* *sentence*

- 5) The black rhino is endangered, for it was overly hunted in the 19th and 20th centuries. *run-on* *sentence*

- 6) The sharp scissors sliced through the fabric and the cut piece fell in a pool on the floor. *run-on* *sentence*

- 7) The suitcase is too heavy, it must be repacked. *run-on* *sentence*

Identify each sentence as either a simple sentence or a compound sentence.

- 8) The high jumper made it through the third round but failed to jump the requisite height in the fourth. *simple* *compound*
- 9) The SAT will be administered in October, or you can wait and take it in December. *simple* *compound*
- 10) Her family could do little except listen compassionately, be supportive, and wait patiently. *simple* *compound*

Add **another independent clause** to make each of the sentences a compound sentence.

- 11) David was extremely nervous during his first dental filling, but _____
_____.
- 12) David did not like the sound of the dental drill, nor _____
_____.
- 13) After the procedure, David's lip was numb, and _____
_____.

Fill in the blanks. **ANSWERS**

1. A compound sentence contains at least two ____ *independent* ____ clauses and no ____ *dependent* ____ clauses.
2. The independent clauses can be connected by a(n) ____ *comma* ____ and a(n) ____ *conjunction* ____; or they can be connected with a(n) ____ *semi colon* ____.

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His plane arrived late, but he made it to the meeting on time, so the client was happy. _____
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- 6) The sharp scissors sliced through the fabric and the cut piece fell in a pool on the floor. *run-on* *sentence*
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- 7) The suitcase is too heavy, it must be repacked. *run-on* *sentence*
The suitcase is too heavy; it must be repacked. _____, so _____, and _____

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Add **another independent clause** to make each of the sentences a compound sentence. **ANSWERS WILL VARY**

- 11) David was extremely nervous during his first dental filling, but *he never showed it to his dentist.* _____
- 12) David did not like the sound of the dental drill, nor *did he like the wads of cotton stuffed in his mouth.* _____
- 13) After the procedure, David's lip was numb, and *he couldn't eat anything for a few hours.* _____

Fill in the blanks. **SCAFFOLDING SUGGESTIONS—Provide word bank.**

dependent comma independent
 semi colon conjunction

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- 3) The basket was filled with coffee beans; they had been picked that morning. run-on sentence
There are two independent clauses here. Are they connected correctly?
- 4) His plane arrived late but he made it to the meeting on time so the client was happy. run-on sentence
There are three independent clauses here. They need to be correctly connected.
- 5) The black rhino is endangered, for it was overly hunted in the 19th and 20th centuries. run-on sentence
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Identify each sentence as either a simple sentence or a compound sentence. **SCAFFOLDING SUGGESTIONS—Give hints.**

- 8) The high jumper made it through the third round but failed to jump the requisite height in the fourth.
This sentence has only one subject, the high jumper. simple compound
- 9) The SAT will be administered in October, or you can wait and take it in December.
This sentence has two different subjects, and each subject has a verb. simple compound
- 10) Her family could do little except listen compassionately, be supportive, and wait patiently.
This sentence has only one subject, the family . simple compound

Add **another independent clause** to make each of the sentences a compound sentence. **SCAFFOLDING SUGGESTIONS—Give first words.**

- 11) David was extremely nervous during his first dental filling, but he did not _____
 _____.
- 12) David did not like the sound of the dental drill, nor did he like _____
 _____.
- 13) After the procedure, David's lip was numb, and he could not _____
 _____.