

Complex Sentence Review

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(S)Simple

(C)Compound

(CX)Complex

- _____ 1. Father put the baby to bed at seven o'clock, but she didn't fall asleep for a long time.
- _____ 2. William Shakespeare wrote plays and poetry.
- _____ 3. After I finish practicing piano, I'll help you make the fudge.
- _____ 4. We heard the siren and saw the police car.
- _____ 5. Meghan couldn't wake up this morning.
- _____ 6. When Germaine saw Keisha, it was love at first sight.
- _____ 7. Carla would prefer to vacation in the Caribbean, but I'd rather spend time in Europe.
- _____ 8. Many of Jane Austen's novels have been made into successful movies over the past forty years.
- _____ 9. Because she couldn't swim a stroke, Vicki didn't enjoy boating or any water-related recreation.
- _____ 10. The flimsy cover of the dictionary fell off from constant use.
- _____ 11. I need to shorten the hem of this dress and add new buttons if I'm going to wear it for another season.
- _____ 12. Beth takes French and Bob takes Spanish.
- _____ 13. A live performance of *The Nutcracker* or *Swan Lake* is always a treat for ballet lovers.
- _____ 14. Carl felt much better when his diet improved.
- _____ 15. After we decorated the Christmas tree, we stood back and admired our work.
- _____ 16. The school play is this weekend, but I won't be able to attend.
- _____ 17. Our sofa converts into a double bed.
- _____ 18. Are you fond of winter, or do you prefer the summer?
- _____ 19. When Jasmine can't sleep, she drinks warm milk.
- _____ 20. Are you just arriving or just leaving?

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(1) The islands of Hawaii are a world of their own. (2) Each has a distinct flavor, yet all share in the heavenly beauty of the tropics. (3) The most likely spot to begin exploring is Honolulu, Oahu which is the island with famous Waikiki Beach. (4) One special sight here is the natural puka in the rugged coastline known as the Blow Hole. (5) A geyser effect is created by the action of the waves being forced through the lava tube. (6) Also to be found in Oahu is the Iolani Palace, the only house of royalty on American soil. (7) Finally, on this island few visitors miss the opportunity to see USS Arizona Battleship Memorial in Pearl Harbor.

(8) Maui, the second largest island, is considered by many to be the most beautiful. (9) It contains the world's largest dormant volcano, and it is known for its spectacular sunsets and great beaches. (10) Another famous sight to view is the Iao Needle, a 1,200-foot green monolith, which rises hauntingly from the valley floor. (11) The old whaling seaport of Lahaina with its quaint streets and shops is another Maui treasure. (12) From the eastern shore at Hana, the ocean stretches seemingly forever, and it is alive with coral and exotically colored fish.

(13) The Big Island, Hawaii, is the youngest and southernmost in the chain. (14) It contains Volcanoes National Park which was established to preserve the mysteriously beautiful landscape of Mauna Loa volcano and its active neighbor Kilauea. (15) Kilauea erupts regularly and in spectacular style with steaming fire pits and giant lava tubes. (16) A popular activity is flightseeing over the volcanoes from a helicopter.

(17) Another unique island is Kauai with its famous Fern Grotto which is a secluded cave framed by gigantic fishtail ferns. (18) A not-to-be-missed sight is the Waimea Canyon, often called the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific." (19) Here you will see green jungles, and breathtaking waterfalls, cliffs and canyons. (20) Hawaii has something for everyone, and, therefore, it is one of the world's favorite destinations for tourists.

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