

SIMPLE, COMPLEX & COMPOUND SENTENCES

SIMPLE SENTENCES

- **A simple sentence** consists of only one clause, with a single subject and predicate. For examples,
 - i. He studies attentively to do well in the exam.
 - ii. Bangladesh became independent in 1971.
 - iii. By working hard, he can be successful.

COMPLEX SENTENCES

- **A complex sentence** contains at least two clauses with one or more subordinating conjunctions (when, while, if, as, because, etc.). In a complex sentence, a subordinate clause follows an independent clause. For examples,
 - i. He studies attentively so that he can do well in the exam.
 - ii. Bangladesh became independent when it was 1971.
 - iii. If he works hard, he can be successful.

COMPOUND SENTENCES

- **A compound sentence** contains at least two coordinate clauses with one or more sentence coordinating conjunctions (and/ but/ or). For examples,
 - i. Do or die.
 - ii. Help me or leave the place.
 - iii. He played well but he lost the contest.

Simple Sentences	Complex Sentences	Compound Sentences
The load is too heavy for me to carry.	The load is so heavy that I cannot carry it.	The load is very heavy and so I cannot carry it.
Muhsin donated money to support the helpless people.	Muhsin donated money so that he could support the helpless people.	Muhsin wanted to support the helpless people and so he donated money.
Because of his poverty, he could not buy a new shirt.	As he was poor, he could not buy a new shirt.	He was poor and so he could not buy a new shirt.
Bangladesh became independent in 1971 .	Bangladesh became independent when it was 1971.	It was 1971 and Bangladesh became independent.
In spite of being a costly game, everybody likes cricket game.	Although cricket is a costly game, everybody likes it.	Cricket is a costly game but everybody likes it.
Haji Mohammad Mohsin was born in Hoogly .	It was Hoogly where Haji Mohammad Mohsin was born.	It was Hoogly and Haji Mohammad Mohsin was born there.
By studying attentively, you can do well in the exam.	If you study attentively, you can do well in the exam.	Study attentively and you can do well in the exam.
Without working hard, you cannot go ahead.	Unless you work hard, you cannot go ahead.	Work hard or you cannot go ahead.
He wants his students to be good citizens.	He wants that his students will be good citizens.	His students will be good citizens and he wants this.