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Complex Sentences

Remember

A **complex sentence** is made up of an independent clause and at least one dependent clause.

One Dependent Clause

Dominic ate some cake even though he was full.

Two Dependent Clauses

After he finished, Dominic wished that he had not eaten so much.

Think About

What is the difference between a complex sentence and a compound sentence?

Read and Apply

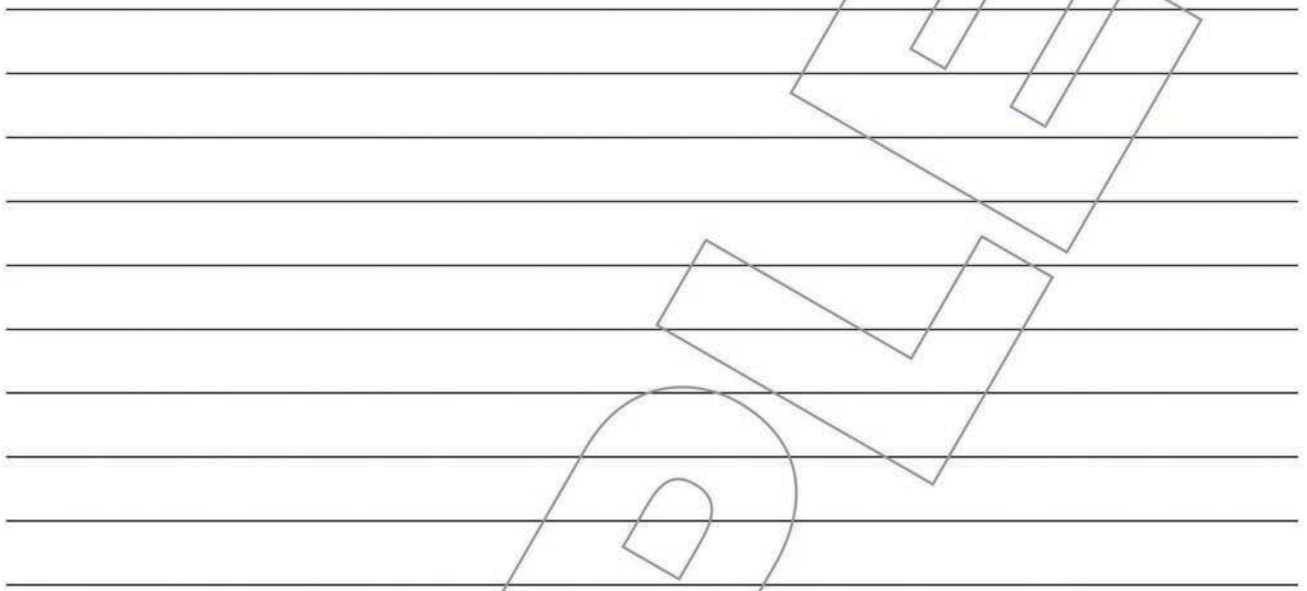
Read the sentences. Underline the complex sentences.

Murals are large paintings. They are done on walls or ceilings of buildings. Since they are part of the building, artists try to work the style of the building into the painting. Murals have been made since ancient times, when they were often used in tombs and palaces. Murals usually show scenes that people recognize. Some artists use murals to give their opinions about current events. Other artists paint peaceful scenes because people enjoy looking at them. When a group makes a mural, the different styles can blend together.



Write About

Write a paragraph telling about a type of art you enjoy. Write at least two complex sentences. Underline them.



Review

Read the sentences. Fill in the circle next to each complex sentence.

- ☐ If you eat that mushroom, you might get sick.
- ☐ After 5:00, the trains are very full.
- ☐ Marco put the glass in the sink when he was finished.
- ☐ Amhi went for a run before she took a shower.
- ☐ Many people have a fear of being in a closed space.
- ☐ Mrs. Carson shut the door when she left the room.

