



# Two Sentence Types/Structures (that we will learn today)

- 1) Simple Sentence
- 2) Compound Sentence

# Steps to Identifying Phrases & Clauses

- 1) Identify and label the parts of speech.
- 2) Find and eliminate all prepositional phrases.
- 3) Identify and label the sub. & the verb/simple predicate.
- 4) Identify the group of words as phrase or clause
  - \*If the group of words contain a sub. & a pred., they are a clause.
  - \*If either the sub. or pred. is missing, the group of words is a phrase.)

# Independent (Marge) Clause



- **Just like Marge, an independent clause (ic) can survive on its own. It is a complete sentence which expresses a complete thought.**
- **A simple sentence is also called an independent clause because it contains**

# Examples of Independent (Marge) Clauses

- Bart does not like to go to school.
- Lisa loves to play the saxophone.
- Bart and Lisa do not like to go to school.
- Lisa and Bart love to play the saxophone.
- Lisa and Bart love school and playing the saxophone.



# Independent Clause --- Marge



- Marge is an independent woman. She can survive on her own.
- However, sometimes a simple sentence can have a

# Compound Sentences

- 1) Contains two or more independent clauses.
- 2) The clauses are usually joined by a coordinating conjunction (cc).
- 3) The most common coordinating conjunctions (cc's) are FANBOYS

\*For

\*And

\*Nor

\*But

\*Or

\*Yet

\*So

# Compound Sentence

(IC + 2 + F.A.N.B.O.Y.S + IC)



**For**  
**And**  
**Nor**  
**But**  
**Or**  
**Yet**  
**So**



**Bart**  
**hates**  
**scho**  
**ol, so**  
**he**  
**make**  
**s fun**



# Example of Compound Sentence

Caution: Do not use a comma every time you use a word that is a coordinating conjunction; only use a comma when the coordinating conjunction is used to combine two or more independent clauses.

Example of proper comma use:

Bart hates school, so he makes fun of his teachers.

Example of improper comma use:

Bart hates school, and makes fun of his teachers.

Why is the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence's comma use improper?

# Your Turn to Practice

You will have time to read four sentences. You are to identify whether the sentences are simple or compound and you have to provide evidence from your notes to support your answer.



Spillane Middle School is ranked #1 in the state of Texas.



\*What kind of sentence is this: Simple or Compound, Use evidence from your notes to support your answer.





Spillane Middle School is ranked #1 in the state of Texas, but I don't know how that happened.



\*What kind of sentence is this: Simple or Compound,  
\*Use evidence from your notes to support your answer.





Bart and Lisa are the best students at Spillane Middle School.



\*What kind of sentence is this: Simple or Compound,  
\*Use evidence from your notes to support your answer.





Mrs. Harris is quite a strange teacher, but Mr. Horner, Mrs. Ehler, Mrs. Martin and Mr. Thompson are even stranger.



\*What kind of sentence is this:  
Simple or Compound?

\*Use evidence from your notes  
to support your answer.

