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# Compound Sentences

A **simple sentence** has one subject and one predicate. A **compound sentence** contains two simple sentences joined by a comma and a word such as *and*, *but*, or *or*.

<b>Simple Sentence</b>	I rode my bike to Dan's house.
<b>Simple Sentence</b>	We rode to the park.
<b>Compound Sentence</b>	I rode my bike to Dan's house, and we rode to the park.

**Directions** Write *S* if the sentence is a simple sentence. Write *C* if the sentence is a compound sentence.

- Bicycles are important to people in some countries. \_\_\_\_\_
- People in some places do not have cars. \_\_\_\_\_
- They ride bicycles to work, and they ride them to the store. \_\_\_\_\_
- Bicycles cost less than cars, but they are not cheap. \_\_\_\_\_
- Bicycles do not make the air dirty, but cars do. \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions** Choose one of the words in ( ) to combine each pair of simple sentences. Write the compound sentences on the lines.

6. Chris rode a bicycle up the hill. It was not easy. (but, or)

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7. Chris skinned his knee. He bumped his head. (but, and)

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8. Now Chris can ride to school. He can ride to the park. (or, but)

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**Home Activity** Your child learned about compound sentences. Say two short related sentences describing your child. Have him or her combine the sentences to make a compound sentence.