Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences

Grade 5 Grammar Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

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   simple compound complex

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   simple compound complex

4. It was windy, so the kite flew high.
   simple compound complex

5. Before we ate dinner, we washed our hands.
   simple compound complex

6. The wind blew the leaves across the yard.
   simple compound complex

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   simple compound complex

8. Lena smiled because her friend had arrived.
   simple compound complex

9. Grandpa told us a funny story about his dog.
   simple compound complex

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    simple compound complex

11. While the soup cooked, I set the table.
    simple compound complex

12. The bus stopped at the corner and picked up two students.
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Answer Key - Grade 5 Grammar Worksheet - Building Confidence

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