Name _____ Date _____

Compound Sentences

sentence + , + and/but/or/so + sentence

A. Simple or compound? Circle one.

1. I ate lunch, and then I played. (simple / compound)
2. Ben and Ava ran home. (simple / compound)
3. It was cold, so I wore a hat. (simple / compound)
4. We had soup and bread. (simple / compound)
5. You can read, or you can draw. (simple / compound)
6. The fish swam fast, but the shark was faster. (simple / compound)

B. Join the sentences. Use the word in ( ). Don't forget the comma.

1. The sun set. The stars came out. (and)

2. I wanted to swim. The pool was closed. (but)

3. My room was messy. I cleaned it. (so)

4. We can walk. We can take the bus. (or)

C. Fix the comma. Write it the right way.

1. I was sleepy but, I stayed up.

2. The dog barked, the cat ran.

3. Mia sang and, Leo danced.

D. Expand the sentence. Add describing words: The dog ran.

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Answer Key

A. Simple or compound?

1. **compound**
2. **simple**
3. **compound**
4. **simple**
5. **compound**
6. **compound**

B. Join the sentences.

1. The sun set **, and** the stars came out.
2. I wanted to swim **, but** the pool was closed.
3. My room was messy **, so** I cleaned it.
4. We can walk **, or** we can take the bus.

C. Fix the comma.

1. I was sleepy **, but** I stayed up.
2. The dog barked **, and** the cat ran. (so also works)
3. Mia sang **, and** Leo danced.

D. Expand the sentence.

Answers will vary, such as "The fluffy brown dog ran across the yard."