Definition: A complex sentence has at least one main clause, and also one or more subordinate clauses.

Subordinate clause
A subordinate clause is one which is linked to the main clause and is dependent on it. A subordinate clause cannot stand alone.

Link words: each subordinate clause must be joined by a link word to the main clause. Link words are often introduced by who, which, that, when, since, after, because, as long as, until, if, unless, as, so that, though, although etc...

Examples
- 'When you stay, can we play the game that you bought?'
- 'We ate the apples, which the others had picked, because we were so hungry.'