**Compound Sentence**

**Definition:** A compound sentence has two or more main clauses. They are all equally important and no clause is dependent on other clauses.

**Example:** I ran down to the beach and I swam in the waves.

Compound sentences can also be joined by particular punctuation.

**Example:** I came, I saw, I conquered.

- **Main clause**
  - The man mowed the lawn...
  - Kevin likes to eat apples...
  - I went to the pool...

- **Conjunction**
  - and
  - but
  - yet

- **Main Clause**
  - his wife weeded the garden.
  - I prefer to eat oranges.
  - I didn’t feel like a swim.

The main clauses in compound sentences are joined by a conjunction, such as and, but and yet, etc...

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