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I YEAR /I SEMESTER

Unit III- WRITING

Topic 1 : SYNTAX AND SENTENCE CONSTRUCTION





SYNTAX



- Syntax is the proper order of words in a phrase or sentence.
- Syntax is a tool used in writing proper grammatical sentences.
- Native speakers of a language learn correct syntax without realizing it.



SYNTACTIC RULES



- Sentences often start with a subject, followed by a predicate and contain an object or a complement
- Swetha slowly ran the race in wild multicolored flip-flops.
- Subject+adverb+verb+object+preposition+Adjectives



Types of Sentence Structures



- Types of sentences and their syntax modes include
- simple sentences
- compound sentences
- complex sentences and
- compound-complex sentences



Simple sentence

- A simple sentence contains a subject and a verb.
- It expresses a single complete thought that can stand on its own.
- Ex: The boy ran
- There is a subject and a verb that expresses a complete thought.





Compound sentence

Compound sentence:

- Basically, a compound contains two simple sentences.
- These independent clauses are joined by a conjunction (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so).

Ex-The boy ran the marathon, and his cousin did, too.





Complex Sentence

Complex sentence:

- A complex sentence is an independent clause joined by one or more dependent clauses.
- A complex sentence always has a subordinator (as, because, since, after, although, when) or relative pronouns (who, that, which).
- Ex: Although they were tired after the marathon, the cousins decided to go to a celebration at the park.
- Dependent clause-subject-verb-object structure





Compound-complex sentence



Compound-complex sentence:

- Four clauses, dependent and independent structures.
- A compound-complex sentence has two independent clauses and at least one dependent clause.
- ("Although they weren't fond of crowds, this was different, they decided, because of the common goal that had brought everyone together.")



Assessment 1



1. Master Chef is my favorite television show, but I also love True Blood.
2. The teacher wiped the white board that was filthy with last week's notes.
3. The famous fashion designer released her new line on Wednesday.
4. Tarun and Haran went to a resort to celebrate their anniversary.
5. Wicked Regina cast a spell on the entire city, so the citizens decided to rebel.
6. While waiting for the paint to dry, Angela went to Home Depot, and Martin organized the kitchen appliances.
7. After listening to the Kanye West CD, I have new respect for his music.



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