

# *Sentence Types*

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# Word List

Subject	主语
Predicate	谓语
Verb	动词
Coordinating conjunction	并列连词
Subordinating conjunction	从属连词
Simple sentence	简单句
Compound sentence	并列句
Complex sentence	复杂句
Phrase	短语
Pronoun	代词
Comma	逗号
Clause	分句，从句

## Read and Compare

The girl was terribly upset. Her purse was stolen. There wasn't anything that could get the image out of her mind. The thief was running when he grabbed her purse. The girl didn't see him coming. She was caught off guard. The girl fell down. She never got a good look at him.

Having her purse stolen upset the girl terribly. Her mind held onto the image and would not let it go. Unfortunately, she didn't see him coming and was so caught off guard that she fell down and never got a good look at him.

# Sentence Types

- Simple

- Compound

- Complex

- Compound-Complex



# **Simple Sentence**

# Simple Sentence

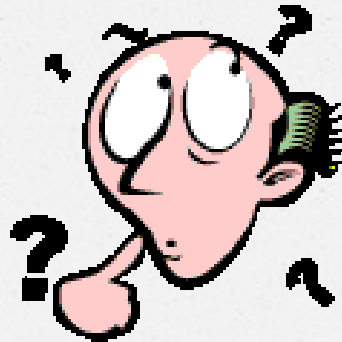
- A simple sentence has one subject and one predicate.



# Simple Sentence

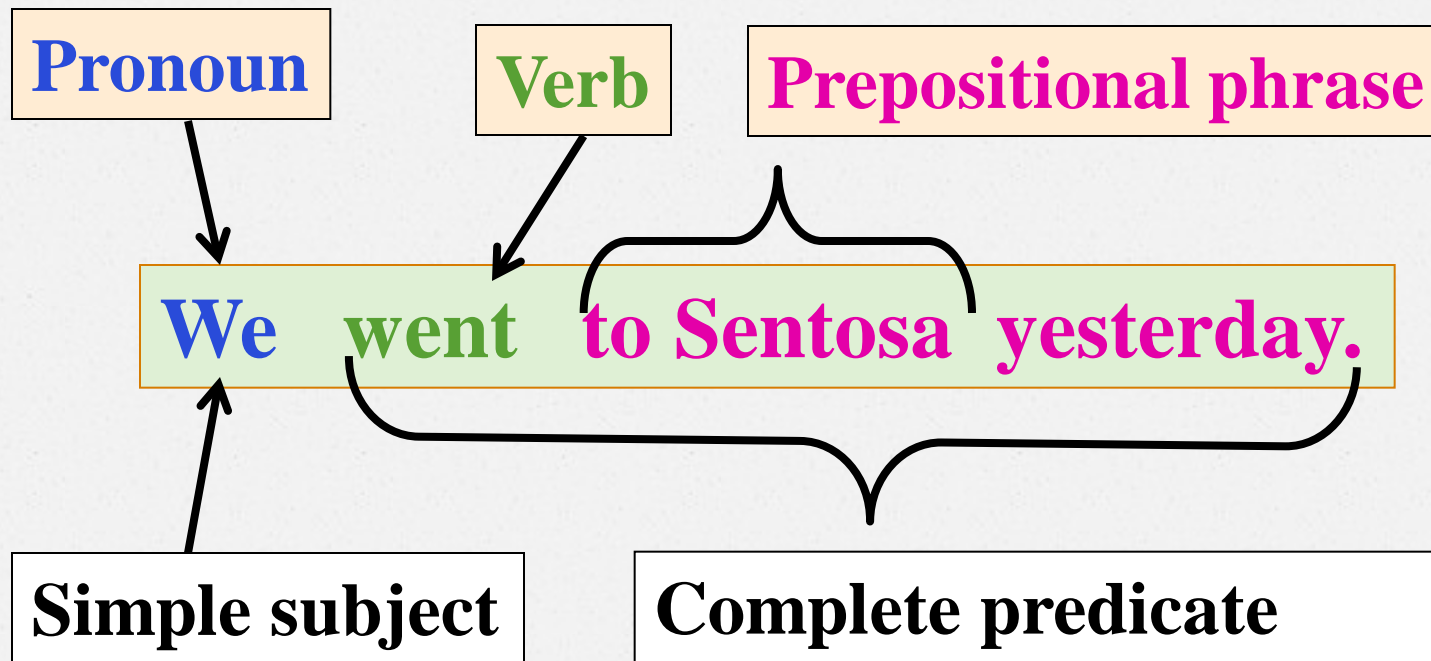
Observe how a simple sentence is constructed:

**We went to Sentosa yesterday.**





# Simple Sentence





# SIMPLE SENTENCE

**SUBJECT**

**PREDICATE**

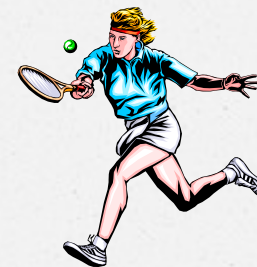


Mary

plays tennis.

one subject

one predicate



# Simple Sentence

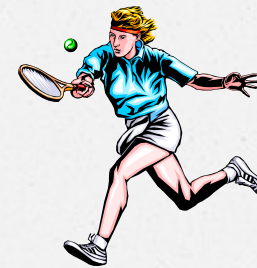
**Tom and Mary**

**play tennis.**

Compound Subject



&



# Simple Sentence

**Tom and Mary**

**play tennis and swim.**

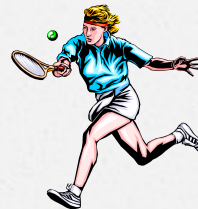
Compound Subject



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Compound Predicate



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# **Compound Sentence**

# Compound Sentence

- o A compound sentence has more than one part that can stand alone (independent clauses).
- o Independent clauses are connected by coordinating conjunctions.



# Compound Sentence

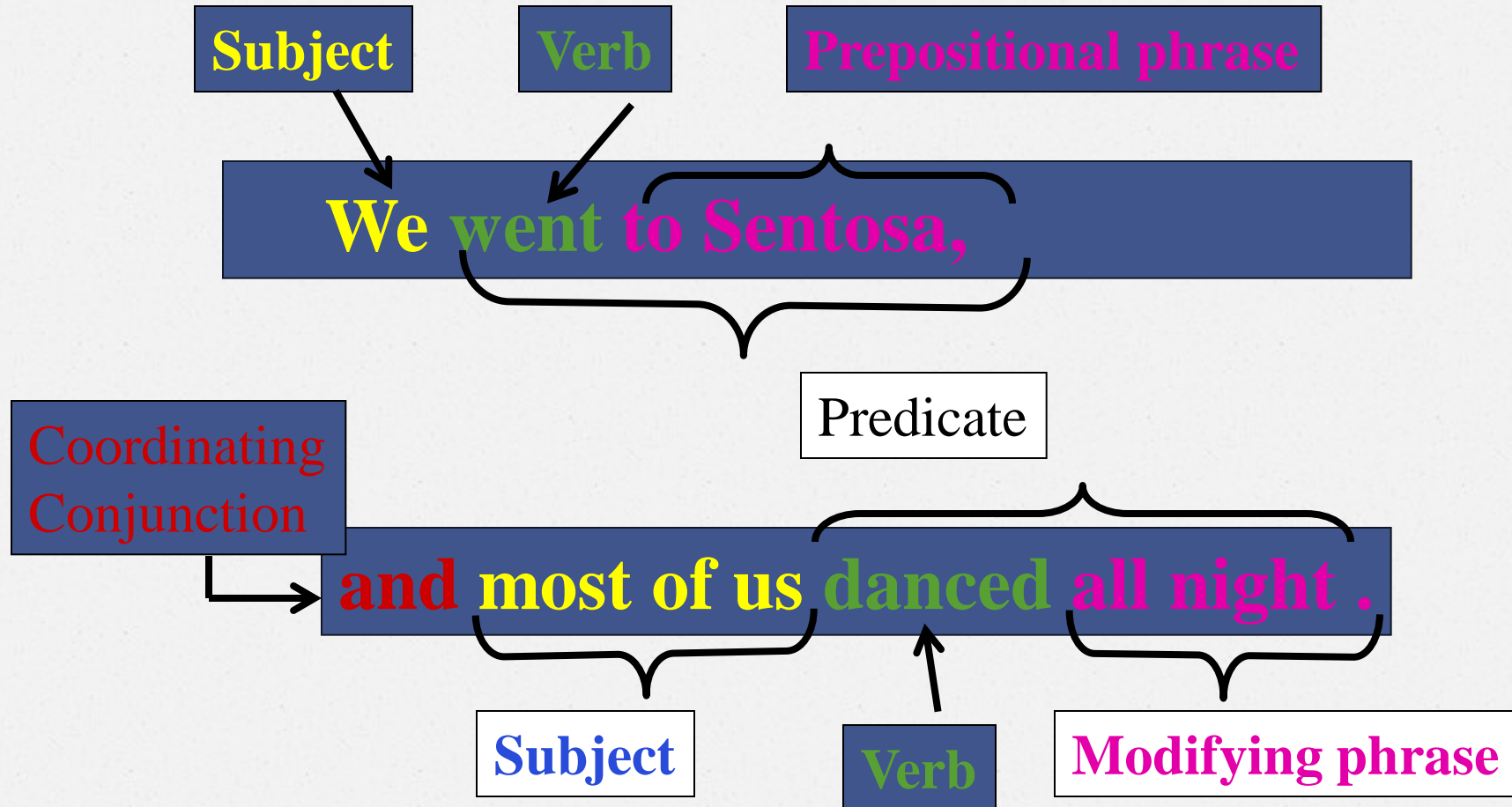


**We went to Sentosa, and**

**most of us danced all night.**

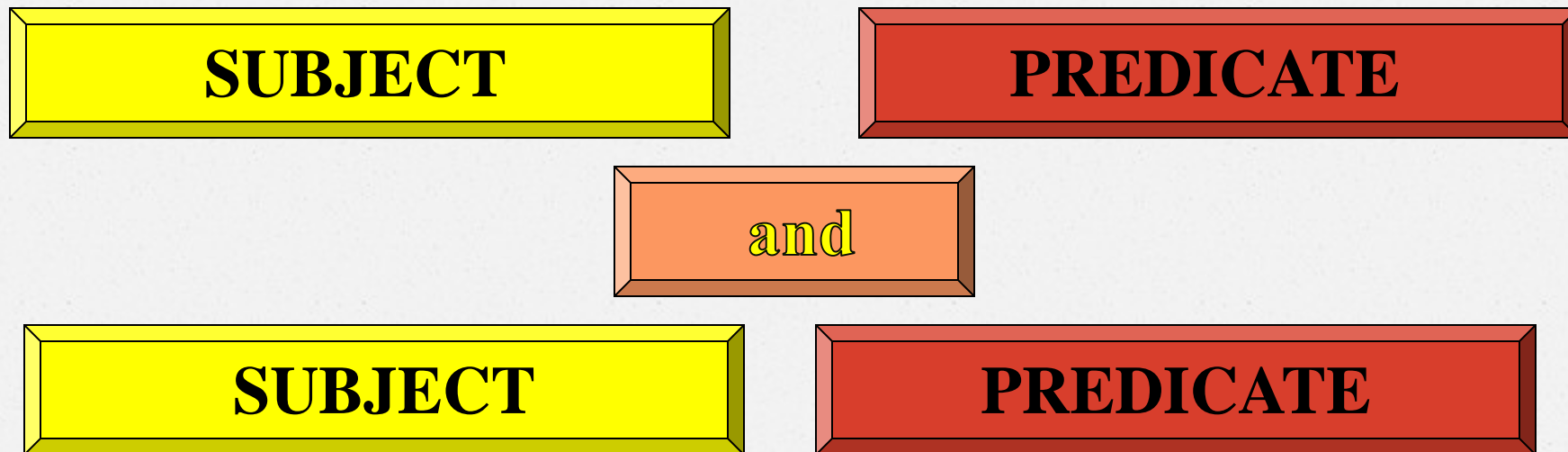


# Compound Sentence



# Compound Sentence

## Use of Coordinating Conjunctions

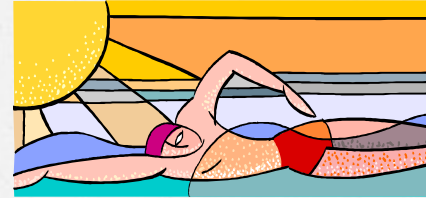


# Compound Sentence

Tom



swims,



and

Mary



plays tennis.





# COMPOUND SENTENCE: *COORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS*

FOR

AND

NOR

BUT

OR

YET

SO



## COMPOUND SENTENCE: *COORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS*

**Tom swims, and Mary plays tennis.**

Clause 1

Independent

Clause 2

Independent



# COMPOUND SENTENCE: *COORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS*

**Tom swims, and Mary plays tennis.**

Comma before “and”  
in compound  
sentences!







# **Complex Sentence**

# Complex Sentence

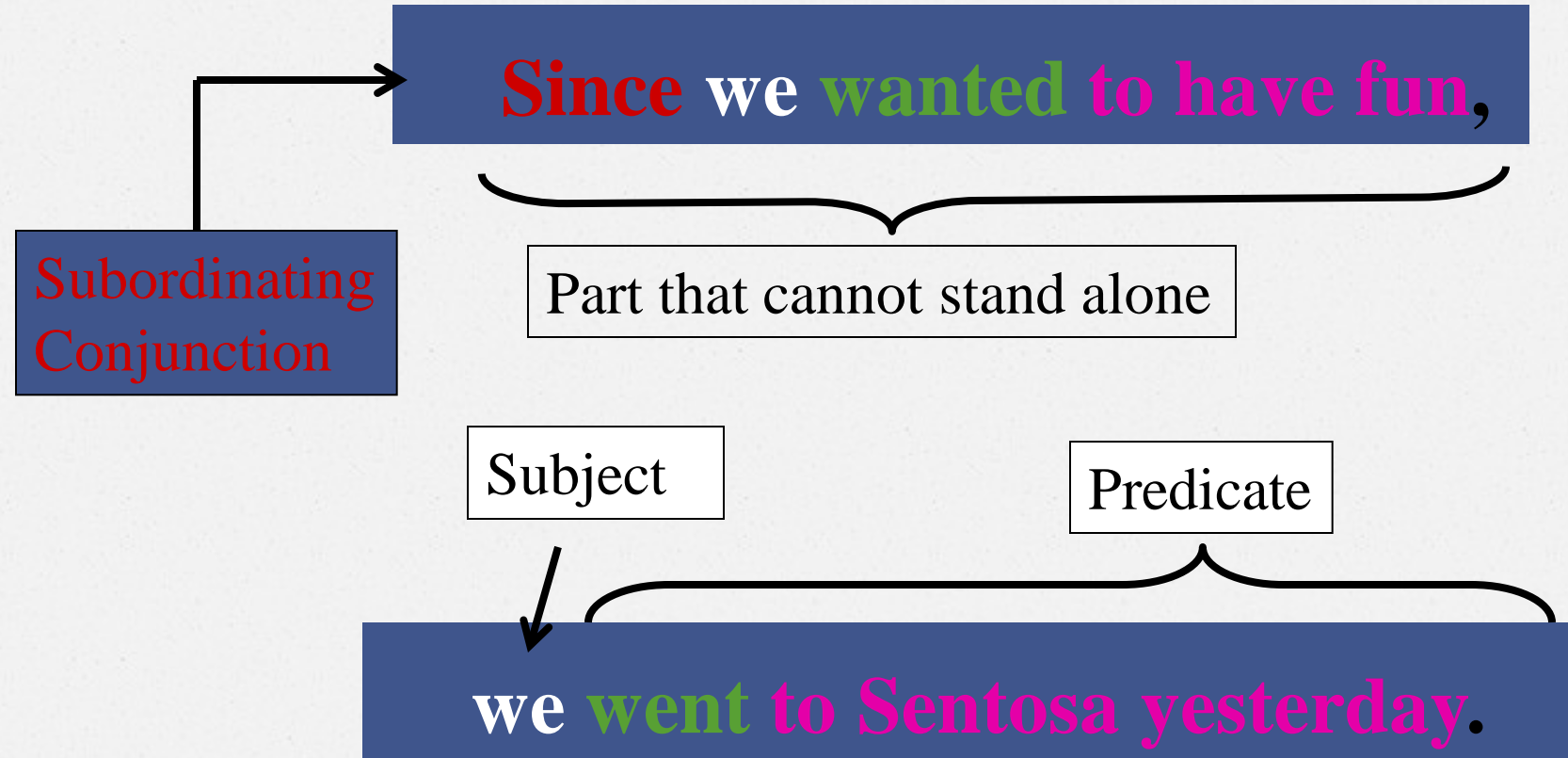
- A complex sentence has at least two parts: one that can stand alone and another one that cannot
- The part that cannot stand alone is linked to the rest of the sentence by a **subordinating conjunction**

# Complex Sentence

Since my friend and I wanted to have fun,  
we went to Sentosa yesterday.



# Complex Sentence



# Complex Sentence

**SUBJECT**

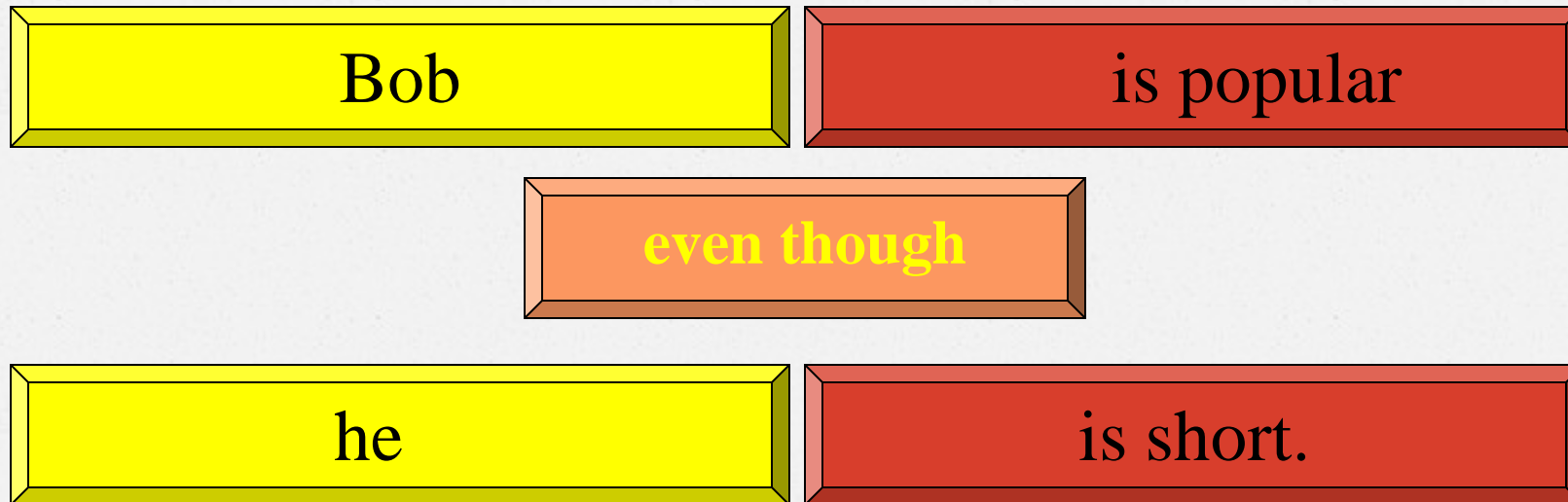
**PREDICATE**

**even though**

**SUBJECT**

**PREDICATE**

# Complex Sentence





# COMPLEX SENTENCE: *SUBORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS*

The most common subordinating conjunctions are **after, although, as, because, before, how, if, once, since, than, that, though, till, until, when, where, whether and while.**



## COMPLEX SENTENCE: *SUBORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS*

***Bob is popular **even though** he is short.***

Clause 1

Independent

Clause 2

Dependent



## COMPLEX SENTENCE: *SUBORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS*

***Even though*** ***Bob is short, he is***  
***popular.***

Clause 1

Dependent

Clause 2

Independent



The End