A simple sentence has just one clause that makes sense on its own.

Example: The library is on the first floor.

Checkpoint! A clause that makes sense on its own is called an independent clause.

Rearrange the groups of words below to form simple sentences. Make sure you include capital letters and full stops where needed.

a. Canada uncle my lives in
b. book great this is a
c. watched we a movie
d. swam the everyone creek in
e. bell will the five in minutes ring
f. ready sausages the are
g. election held Saturday last was the
h. waves pounded stricken the vessel
i. three in there year classes are my

Compound sentences have more than one independent clause joined by conjunctions such as or, and or but.

Example: I held the door open and Branko carried the boxes inside.

Using and, but and or, choose the conjunction which best fits the sentences.

Example: I like horse riding. Jessica prefers swimming.
I like horse riding but Jessica prefers swimming.